

Effective Education Policy for our Nation's Children:

Expert Teachers and Policy Makers Working Together

Please join us for the release of NNSTOY's new report - Engaged: Educators in the Policy Process

Friday, June 19th, 2015
Panel discussion 10-11:30 am
Coffee served

Room 121 Cannon House Office Building

This report reflects on the need for greater collaboration between policymakers and teachers as seen through the eyes of National and State Teachers of the Year. Interspersed with personal journeys of these expert teachers who have shaped, influenced and prepared policy, this report offers insights on the ways policy is more successful when teachers are part of the policy process and how policy will more effectively address the diverse set of PK-12 student needs when teachers are engaged in this process. The panel discussion will highlight a number of key takeaways. When expert teachers are engaged in the policymaking process: 1) the diversity of student needs is more effectively addressed, 2) policy outcomes are enhanced and unintended consequences are minimized, 3) significant work must be done to bridge the two different cultures of teachers and policymakers, and 4) associations such as NNSTOY can help to bridge that gap. Please join us for a panel discussion of State Teachers of the Year and policy leaders as they reflect on the critical importance and the positive impact of having teachers at the table in policy making.

Panelists Include:

Terry Dozier, National and SC State Teacher of the Year, 1985

Marguerite Izzo, NY State Teacher of the Year, 2012

Jody Zepp, MD State Teacher of the Year, 2015

Catherine Brown, Vice President, Education Policy, Center for American Progress

Moderated by: Katherine Bassett, NNSTOY CEO

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