

## **Capitol Hill Teacher Union Conference**

October 26, 1999

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On October 26, the Lexington Institute will be sponsoring a 9 AM - 12 Noon conference on Capitol Hill (2168 Rayburn House Office Building) on:

### **"The Teacher Unions: How School Choice is Breaking Their Monopoly."**

The purpose of this conference is to educate legislators, staffers and opinion leaders on what education reform leaders have encountered and accomplished around the country.

You are invited to join us.

Speakers from whom we have commitments to date include:

- J.C. Bowman, Director of Research, Texas Public Policy Foundation
- Zack Dawes, Vice President of Public Affairs, CEO America
- Michelle Easton, President, Claire Boothe Luce Policy Institute
- Charlene Haar, President, Education Policy Institute
- Representative Pete Hoekstra, Chairman, Oversight and Investigations Subcommittee, House Education Committee
- Kansas State Representative Kay O'Connor
- Larry Reed, President, Mackinac Center for Public Policy
- Doug Rogers, Executive Director, Association of Texas Professional Educators
- Mayor Bret Schundler of Jersey City
- Representative Tom Tancredo, Member, House Education Committee
- John Taylor, President, Virginia Institute for Public Policy
- Bob Williams, President of the Evergreen Freedom Foundation

This conference will examine various themes such as:

- Expanding voucher, tax-credit and charter school programs as well as the teacher unions' actions to prevent such programs;
- The brisk growth of independent teacher associations, which now have more members than the NEA or AFT in three states;
- Education outsourcing and privatization issues, recent unprecedented concessions by teacher unions in contract agreements, curbing the political abuse of compulsory dues and other related topics.

Because of limited seating capacity, we must know ahead of time if you plan to attend. Please call the Lexington Institute at (703) 522-5828.

Thank you.