

Challenges to Public Education Financing Facing Missouri and the Nation

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Murray Weidenbaum Center on the Economy, Government, and Public Policy
at Washington University in St. Louis

Friday, November 4, 2005
May Auditorium, Simon Hall
Washington University

- 7:30 a.m. – 8:15am Registration and Continental Breakfast
- 8:15 am - 8:30 am **Opening Remarks**
Cletus Coughlin, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis
Walter Metcalfe, Bryan Cave
Steven Smith, Weidenbaum Center
- 8:30am – 9:45am **Alternative Education Finance Strategies and Formulas**
Moderator: Carol Camp Yeakey, Washington University
Presenter: Thomas Nechyba, Duke University
Discussant: Ross Rubenstein, Syracuse University
- 9:45am – 10:00am Break and refreshments
- 10:00am – 10:45am **Education Finance in Missouri: Current System and Reform Plans**
Presenter: Mike Podgursky, University of Missouri
- 10:45am – 12:00pm **Panel Discussion: Education Finance in Urban and Rural Areas**
Moderator: Sheila Murray, RAND
Panelists: Doug Baum, CFO, Ritenour School District
Craig Larson, Superintendent, Rockwood School District
Terry Adams, Superintendent, Rolla School District
Michael Parnell, Superintendent, Jefferson School District
- 12:00pm – 1:15pm Lunch
- 1:30pm – 3:00pm **Improving Student Achievement and Accountability**
Presenter: Eric Hanushek, Stanford University
Discussant: Steven Rivkin, Amherst University
- 3:00pm – 3:15pm Break and refreshments
- 3:15pm – 4:45pm **Panel Discussion: The Education Finance Debate in Missouri**
Moderator: Mike Podgursky, University of Missouri
Panelists: Maida Coleman, Democratic Missouri State Senator
Yvonne Wilson, Democratic Missouri State Senator
Edward Robb, Republican Missouri State Representative
Brian Baker, Republican Missouri State Representative
Gerri Ogle, Associate Commissioner, Missouri Department of
Elementary and Secondary Education
- 5:00pm – 6:00pm Reception