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UNLOCKING THE FUTURE TOWARD A NEW REFORM AGENDA FOR K-12 EDUCATION

AGENDA

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A new collection of essays by leading education thinkers suggest some potential planks for a new K-12 reform agenda. The authors are researchers, advocates and practitioners from across the political spectrum. But they agree as one on the need for change – bold, dramatic, far-reaching change to produce schools that work for the nation’s children.

- 1:00 p.m. **Welcome**
Romy DRUCKER, Walton Family Foundation
- 1:05 p.m. **A new frame post-pandemic**
Robin LAKE, Center on Reinventing Public Education
Frances MESSANO, NewSchools Venture Fund
Keri RODRIGUES, National Parents Union
Moderated by John BAILEY, American Enterprise Institute
- 1:20 p.m. **A new approach to accountability**
John BAILEY, American Enterprise Institute
A conversation with Tamar JACOBY, Opportunity America
- 1:29 p.m. **Listening to parents and communities**
Denise FORTE, The Education Trust
A conversation with John BAILEY, American Enterprise Institute
- 1:38 p.m. **A new way to think about equity**
Ian ROWE, Vertex Partnership Academies
A conversation with Derrell BRADFORD, 50CAN
- 1:47 p.m. **Q&A**
- 2:00 p.m. **Close and adjourn**

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