



Commonwealth of Virginia
Office of the Governor

Robert F. McDonnell
Governor

June 27, 2012

The Honorable Nikki R. Haley
Governor, State of South Carolina
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Governor Haley:

In Virginia and nationally, K-12 education is a top priority. The outcomes we produce at the K-12 level have a direct impact on the success of our states' economies and ensure that we have a productive workforce. I will soon announce the **“Governor’s K-12 Education Reform Summit: Investing in Students Today, Creating the Workforce of Tomorrow”** to be held August 15th – 17th in Richmond, Virginia.

As the Chief Executive of South Carolina and someone who cares deeply about workforce development, job creation, and the essential role K-12 education plays in ensuring a quality pipeline, I invite you to join me for a Governors Panel during the lunch hour Thursday, August 16th. This panel will bring together governors who are focused on reforms and results in the areas of school choice, teacher quality and workforce development. I know your participation will once again reinforce South Carolina’s commitment to bettering K-12 outcomes and ensuring opportunities for your citizens.

I also encourage you to send two of your top education advisors to the Summit. We will feature staff only time for in-depth discussions on K-12 reform policy and opportunities to share best practices.

Generra Peck from my office will be reaching out to your staff to follow-up on this invitation and answer any questions. She is available at Generra.Peck@governor.virginia.gov and (804) 928-7325. Thank you for your consideration and I hope to see you in Richmond in August.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert F. McDonnell".

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