

Homeschooling Summit: Problems, Politics, and Prospects for Reform, June 9-11, 2021

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Wednesday, June 9, 1:00-5:20 PM

BACKGROUND

Welcome, Summit Genesis, Nature, & Goals, Landscape of Homeschooling 1:00-1:30
Elizabeth Bartholet, James Dwyer

Evolution of Parental and Religious Rights, and of Homeschooling Regulation 1:30-2:15
Shawn Peters, James Dwyer
Discussion

Break 2:15-2:25

THE FACTUAL PICTURE

Child Maltreatment (moderator Elizabeth Bartholet) 2:25-3:35
Emily Putnam-Hornstein, Barbara Knox, Chelsea McCracken
Discussion

Break 3:35-3:45

Educational, Social, and Civic Issues (moderator James Dwyer) 3:45-4:45
Milton Gaither, Robert Kunzman, Michael Barbour
Discussion

Affinity/Action Group Meetings 4:50-5:20

Thursday, June 10, 1:00-5:20 PM

Homeschooling Alumni Speak 1:00-1:30
Lindsey Powell, Sarah Henderson

STRATEGIES FOR CHANGE

Faith Leaders and Homeschooling (moderator Victor Vieth) 1:30-2:25
Pete Singer, Darrell Armstrong, Shira Berkovits
Discussion

Break 2:25-2:30

Policy Proposals for Reform

Preventing Child Maltreatment 2:30-3:35
Frank Vandervort, Viola Vaughan-Eden, Rachel Coleman, Elizabeth Bartholet
Discussion

Break 3:35-3:45

Addressing Academic, Social and Civic Issues 3:45-4:45
Elizabeth Bartholet, James Dwyer, Michael Scott
Discussion

Affinity/Action Group Meetings 4:50-5:20

Friday, June 11, 1:00-4:00 PM

Political Action: Current Politics & Potential for Future Political Action 1:00-2:20
(moderator James Dwyer)
Carmen Longoria-Green, Samantha Field
Discussion

Break 2:20-2:30

Litigation Strategies for Reform (moderator Elizabeth Bartholet) 2:30-3:40
Emily Zackin, Michael Rebell, John Affeldt
Discussion

Closing Remarks 3:40-4:00
Elizabeth Bartholet, James Dwyer