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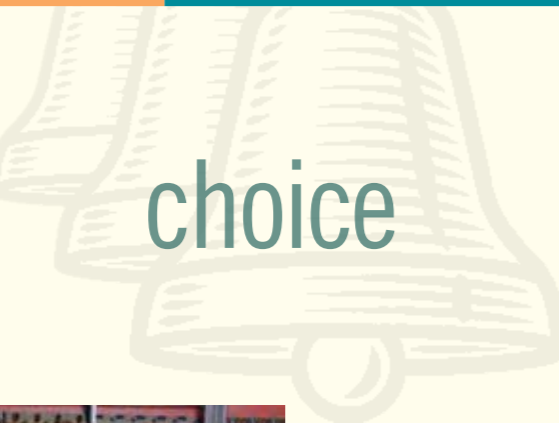
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## Koret Task Force on K-12 Education 1998-2014



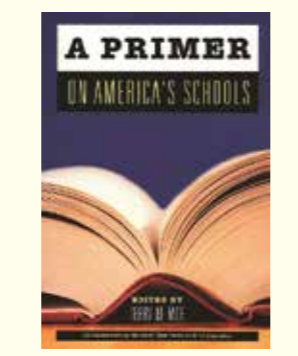
**June 1998**  
John Raisian, Tad Taube (above), Chester Finn, Gerald Dorfman, and Richard Sousa develop the Hoover task force model



**September 1999**  
John Chubb, Williamson Evers, Chester Finn, Eric Hanushek, Paul Hill, E.D. Hirsch, Caroline Hoxby, Terry Moe, Paul Peterson, Diane Ravitch, and Herb Walberg meet for first time as Hoover's Koret Task Force on K-12 Education

**February 2001**  
First Lady Laura Bush gives a keynote address at the launch event for *Education Next* at the Hoover Institution Board of Overseers meeting in Washington, DC

**July 2001**  
*A Primer on Education* published, edited by Terry M. Moe



**September 2002**  
Chester Finn is named chairman of the task force



*If we're interested in student performance, we have to pay attention to student performance, not to things that we think might be related to student performance because we're often wrong.*  
— Eric Hanushek

**April 2003**  
Paul Peterson, Caroline Hoxby, and Chester Finn speak at conference at the US Department of Education, "A Nation at Risk—Twenty Years Later"



**September 2004**  
At the request of British Trust for Specialist Schools, task force visits specialist schools and the Department for Education in London

**December 2005**  
Press conference with Arkansas governor Mike Huckabee in Little Rock and release of *Reforming Education in Arkansas*, by the Koret Task Force



**February 2000**  
Task force meets with Milton and Rose Friedman

**July 2000**  
Eric Hanushek is appointed the Paul and Jean Hanna Senior Fellow in Education at the Hoover Institution



**January 2001**  
Meeting with Representative John Boehner in Washington, DC

**November 1999**  
Launch of the Hoover Institution Weekly Essays series, with task force members as regular contributors

**January 2001**  
Launch of *Education Next*, with task force members serving as its editorial board

**April 2002**  
Task force receives the Koret Prize



**August 2002**  
Terry Moe receives the inaugural Children First America Award

**February 2003**  
Meeting with Secretary of Education Rod Paige and Senator Lamar Alexander at the release event for *Our Schools and Our Future: Are We Still at Risk?* in Washington, DC



**April 2004**  
Task force releases *Reforming Education in Texas* and reports findings to the Texas Department of Education

**January 2003**  
Leading young scholars in the field make invited presentations at task force meeting

**January 2004**  
Eric Hanushek, Caroline Hoxby, and Herb Walberg are nominated to serve on the National Board of Education Sciences



**January 2006**  
Florida governor Jeb Bush meets with the task force

*These books are fresh contributions to a field that has become frozen by ideological disputes, bureaucratic resistance, and establishment views.*  
— John Raisian

**September 2006**  
Task force meets chair and senior officials of the Florida State Board of Education in Orlando and releases *Reforming Education in Florida* one month later



**February 2007**  
Paul Hill receives the Thomas B. Fordham Prize for Excellence in Education; he is the sixth member of the task force to be so honored, joining Eric Hanushek, E.D. Hirsch, Caroline Hoxby, Terry Moe, and Paul Peterson

**October 2007**  
Bill Evers is confirmed as assistant secretary for the Office of Planning, Evaluation, and Policy Development at the US Department of Education



**September 2008**  
Tom Loveless joins the task force

**Winter 2008**  
Task force featured in *Koret Perspectives* article, "Unpacking the Koret Task Force Model"

*The publications contribute to informing the current debate on the quality and the productivity of the K-12 education system in America.*  
— John Raisian



**April 2009**  
Release of *Learning from No Child Left Behind: How and Why the Nation's Most Important but Controversial Education Law Should Be Renewed*, by the Koret Task Force

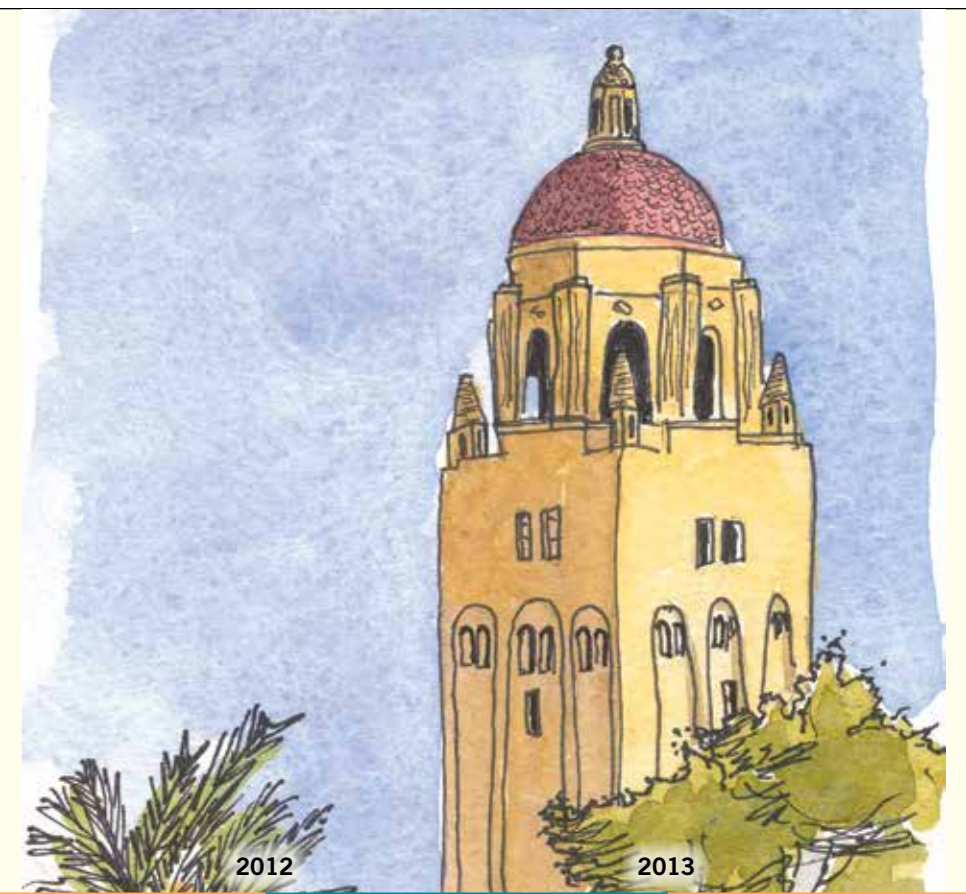
**September 2009**  
Task force holds media colloquium, "Getting Beneath Current Educational Policy Debate"



**September 2010**  
Grover (Russ) Whitehurst joins the task force

**December 2010**  
Release of *Best and Worst in American Education 2010*, by the Koret Task Force; this is the first of a series of annual analyses of American education

# transparency



John Perry



**January 2012**  
Eric Hanushek, Paul Hill, Caroline Hoxby, Terry Moe, and Paul Peterson are named to a listing of the top 50 researchers in education

**January 2012**  
Task force meets with Chiefs for Change

**February 2012**  
Release of *Choice and Federalism: Defining the Federal Role in Education*, by the Koret Task Force; Mitt Romney later adopts ideas from the publication for his presidential platform



**January 2014**  
Release of *What Lies Ahead*, edited by Chester E. Finn Jr. and Richard Sousa

*Policymakers must know what to do. They must have good ideas that are well supported by theory and evidence and they must know how to put these ideas into action.*  
— Terry Moe

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*Our goal is to get this nation off the treadmill  
of failed reforms and to provide ideas and  
analysis that can promote educational progress.*  
— Terry Moe

*Accountability, choice, and transparency:  
the essential trinity of principles to reconstruct  
America's schools.*  
— Koret Task Force on K-12 Education

The Hoover Institution Koret Task Force on K-12 Education is made up of experts in the field of education. Brought together by the Hoover Institution, Stanford University, with the support of the Koret Foundation and other foundations and individuals, the task force examines the prospects and options for education reform in the United States. Its primary objectives are to gather, evaluate, and disseminate existing evidence in an analytic context and to analyze reform measures that will enhance the quality and productivity of K-12 education.

The task force includes some of the most highly regarded and best-known education scholars in the nation, many of whom have served in executive and advisory roles for federal, state, and local governments and as professors at the country's leading universities. Their combined expertise represents more than three hundred years of research and study in the field of education.

The task force is the centerpiece of the Hoover Institution's Initiative on American Educational Institutions and Academic Performance. In addition to producing original research, analysis, and recommendations in a growing body of work on the most important issues in American education today, task force members serve as editors, contributors, and members of the editorial board of *Education Next: A Journal of Opinion and Research*, published by the Hoover Institution. For further information, see the task force website at [www.hoover.org/taskforces/education](http://www.hoover.org/taskforces/education).



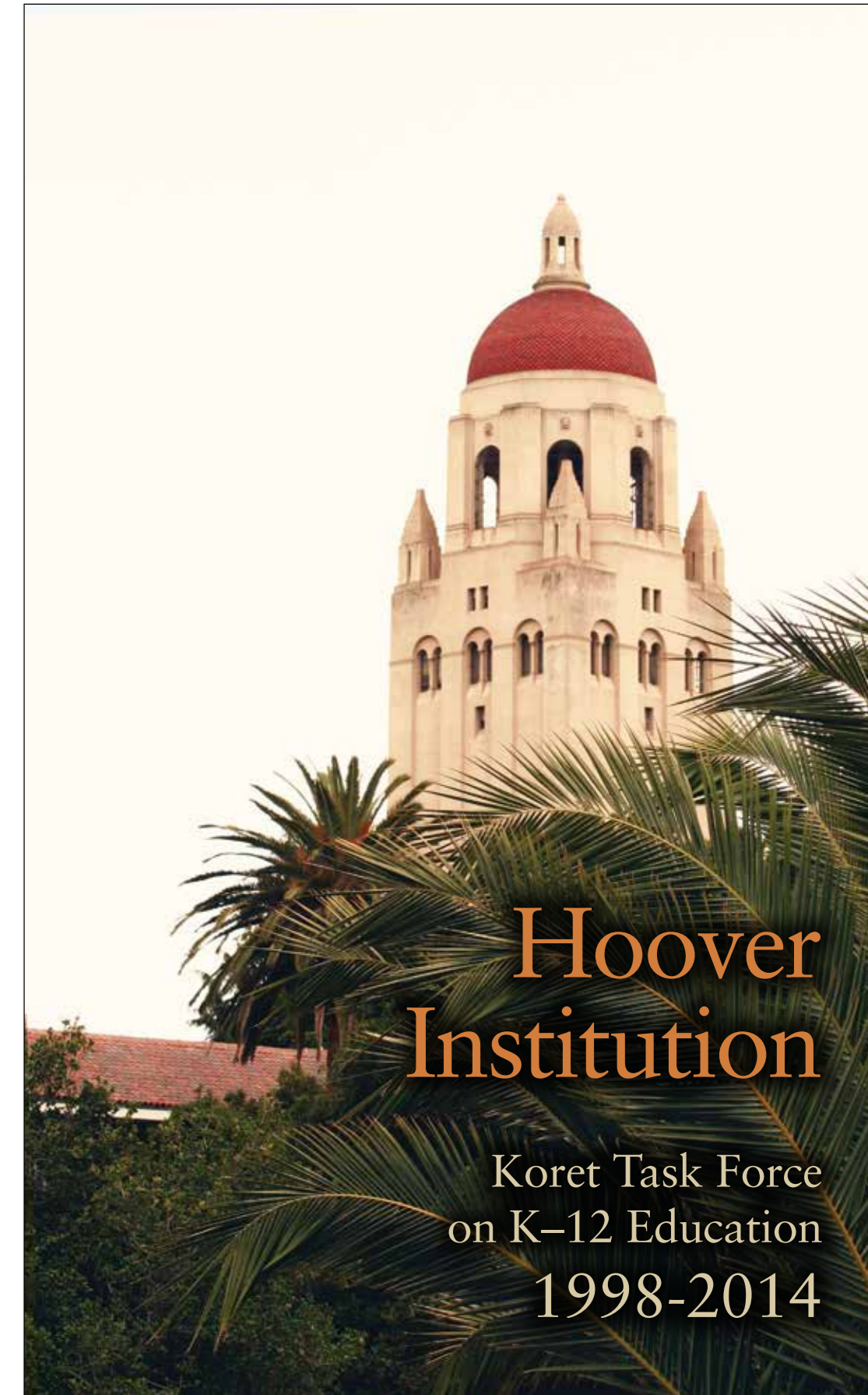
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