

"Our Future, Our Teachers" Overview

Secretary of Education Arne Duncan gave the overview of the "[Our Future, Our Teachers](#)," plan, which would:

1. Overhaul current institutional and state reporting requirements on teacher education to focus on K-12 student improvement on state assessments, job placement and retention, and teacher graduate satisfaction with their preparation, and satisfaction by teacher's principals.
2. Replace TEACH grant program with Presidential Teaching Fellowships. This change would replace the grant (which turns into a loan if recipients do not complete their required service) with a \$10,000 award in the last year of preparation for high-achieving students in high-performing programs.
3. Provide \$40 million for the Augustus Hawkins Minority-Serving Institutions Centers of Excellence, to improve teacher preparation programs in these institutions.