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Trump Nominates McMahon for Education Secretary

President-elect Donald Trump announced yesterday that Linda McMahon, former administrator of the Small Business Administration (SBA), will serve as secretary of education in his second administration. As stated in a [Trump-Vance transition press release](#):

It is my great honor to announce that Linda McMahon, former Administrator of the Small Business Administration, will be the United States Secretary of Education.

For the past four years, as the Chair of the Board at the America First Policy Institute (AFPI), Linda has been a fierce advocate for Parents' Rights, working hard at both AFPI and America First Works (AFW) to achieve Universal School Choice in 12 States, giving children the opportunity to receive an excellent Education, regardless of zip code or income. As Secretary of Education, Linda will fight tirelessly to expand "Choice" to every State in America, and empower parents to make the best Education decisions for their families.



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Linda McMahon

The press release also included a biography of McMahon, noting her time serving on the state of Connecticut Board of Education, and as a member of the board of trustees at Sacred Heart University:

Linda served for two years on the Connecticut Board of Education, where she was one of fifteen members overseeing all Public Education in the State, including its Technical High School system. She also served as a Member of the Board of Trustees at Sacred Heart University in Fairfield, Connecticut, for two stints totaling over 16 years. She is now doing an incredible job as Co-Chair of our Trump-Vance Transition Team. Linda will use her decades of Leadership experience, and deep understanding of both Education and Business, to empower the next Generation of American Students and Workers, and make America Number One in Education in the World. We will send Education BACK TO THE STATES, and Linda will spearhead that effort.

In 1980 McMahon co-founded Titan Sports, Inc, now known as World Wrestling Entertainment (WWE).



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In response to McMahon's nomination, Knox County, Tennessee Mayor Glenn Jacobs, also known by his WWE ring name "Kane" congratulated McMahon, [stating in a post on X](#):

<https://twitter.com/GlennJacobsTN/status/1859054697556177318>

Representative Burgess Owens (R-Utah) praised Trump's nomination of McMahon. He stated [in a post on X](#) that Washington, D.C., bureaucrats have prioritized Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) and indoctrination, and said her leadership will hold failing schools accountable:

President Trump's nomination of Linda McMahon as Secretary of Education is the bold leadership we need to fix a broken system. For too long, Washington bureaucrats have prioritized ideology over students, pushing DEI schemes over merit and indoctrination over results.

That ends now. Education isn't just about opportunity—it's a national security issue. A failing system leaves our workforce unprepared and our nation weaker. Under President Trump, the Department of Education will empower families with real choices, hold failing schools accountable, and prepare students to succeed in the real world. We will never stop fighting to build an education system that rewards merit, values achievement, and gives every American a fair shot at the American dream.

<https://twitter.com/RepBurgessOwens/status/1859255818253713566>



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