

BHEF's Mission

Strengthening Education to Enhance Competitiveness

BHEF addresses education issues fundamental to our nation's ability to compete globally. These include improving student achievement and readiness for success in college and work; and strengthening higher education, particularly our national capacity in science, technology, engineering and math.

BHEF currently is pursuing two major initiatives advancing solutions in these areas – one focused on college/work readiness and success, and a second promoting America's leadership in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM).

Research and Collaboration

BHEF conducts research to create solutions that address our nation's most significant education challenges. This research identifies strategies and policy reforms that BHEF and its members advance in conjunction with partners and other organizations. BHEF's recent research has explored the need for enhanced recruitment, retention and renewal of the nation's math and science teaching workforce.

To amplify its impact, BHEF partners with other organizations, where appropriate. BHEF currently is collaborating with the Business Roundtable, U.S. Chamber, National Governors Association and America's leading universities and foundations to advance its initiatives.

Leadership and Action

BHEF brings together an extraordinary coalition of corporate, academic and foundation members to influence public policy and inspire other corporate, academic and foundation leaders to act.

BHEF members are driving change "on the ground." They develop, adopt and promote best practices and strategic approaches among corporate, education and foundation leaders, nationally and locally. They also advocate for policy changes at the Federal, state and local levels.

About BHEF



Creating Solutions. Inspiring Action.

The Business-Higher Education Forum (BHEF) is an organization of Fortune 500 CEOs, prominent college and university presidents, and foundation leaders working to advance innovative solutions to our nation's education challenges in order to enhance U.S. competitiveness. BHEF brings together an extraordinary coalition of corporate, academic, and foundation members to influence public policy and inspire other corporate, academic, and foundation leaders to act.