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Legislative Conference Agenda

2026 PRELIMINARY AGENDA

As of 9/16/25

2026 KEYNOTE SPEAKER

NCPERS is pleased to welcome back **William Kristol**—renowned political analyst and founding editor of *The Weekly Standard*—as our keynote speaker. Kristol will revisit his 2024 predictions, offering fresh perspective on what unfolded and sharp commentary on the political events shaping today's headlines.

A familiar voice through his work with *FOX News* and *The Washington Post*, Kristol has long influenced American political discourse. His career includes serving as chief of staff to Vice President Dan Quayle, and he has been a strong advocate for U.S. foreign policy leadership.

The author of several New York Times bestsellers and recipient of the prestigious Bradley Prize, Kristol brings decades of experience and insight to the stage. This is a chance to hear his take on the nation's most pressing challenges and what lies ahead.



MONDAY, JANUARY 26 – Legislative Conference

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| 1:00 PM–6:30 PM | REGISTRATION |
| 2:00 PM–5:00 PM | GENERAL SESSION I: State Policy and Pensions |
| 5:30 PM–6:30 PM | NETWORKING RECEPTION |

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27 – Legislative Conference & Policy Day

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| 8:00 AM–1:00 PM | REGISTRATION |
| 8:00 AM–9:00 AM | BREAKFAST |
| 9:00 AM–12:00 PM | GENERAL SESSION II: Federal Policy and Pensions |
| 12:00 PM–1:00 PM | NETWORKING LUNCH |
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Policy Day (Separate Registration Required)

1:00 PM–5:00 PM CAPITOL HILL MEETINGS

- *NCPERS will schedule your meetings with congressional offices. Final meetings schedules will be sent to attendees one week prior to the event. [Learn more about what to expect.](#)*

5:00 PM-6:00 PM POLICY DAY HAPPY HOUR

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28 – Policy Day (Continued)

8:00 AM–9:00 AM BREAKFAST

9:00 AM–12:00 PM CAPITOL HILL MEETINGS

- *NCPERS will schedule your meetings with congressional offices. Final meetings schedules will be sent to attendees one week prior to the event. [Learn more about what to expect.](#)*

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Communications & Member Services Summit

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