

President-Elect Trump Just Added Another Evangelical to his Cabinet

Evangelicals are going to make quite a mark on the United States of America beginning Jan. 20, 2017.

Three of the first four Cabinet-level appointments President-elect Donald Trump has announced were handed to evangelicals. And now, his fifth appointment goes to another evangelical Christian.

Wednesday afternoon, the Presidential Transition Team announced longtime school choice advocate Betsy DeVos will lead the Department of Education in the Trump Administration. They issued the following statement about the Mars Hill Bible Church board member:

President-elect Donald J. Trump today announced his intent to nominate Betsy DeVos as Secretary of the United States Department of Education. A leader in the national school reform movement for more than two decades, Betsy DeVos is a highly successful education advocate, businesswoman and philanthropist.

"Betsy DeVos is a brilliant and passionate education advocate," said President-elect Donald J. Trump. "Under her leadership, we will reform the U.S. education system and break the bureaucracy that is holding our children back so that we can deliver world-class education and school choice to all families. I am pleased to nominate Betsy as Secretary of the Department of Education."

"I am honored to accept this responsibility to work with the President-elect on his vision to make American education great again," said Ms. DeVos. "The *status quo* in education

is not acceptable. Together, we can work to make transformational change that ensures every student in America has the opportunity to fulfill his or her highest potential.”

A native of Michigan, Betsy DeVos has spent decades advocating for school choice reforms and helping underserved children gain access to quality education. Ms. DeVos is chairman of the American Federation for Children whose mission is to “improve our nation’s K-12 education by advancing systemic and sustainable public policy that empowers parents, particularly those in low-income families, to choose the education they determine is best for their children.”

Ms. DeVos is chair of the Windquest Group and has also served on national and local charitable and civic boards, including the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, American Enterprise Institute, The Philanthropy Roundtable, Kids Hope USA and Mars Hill Bible Church. {eoa}