

Appendix 7

Career Paths of the Permanent Education Press

This appendix accompanies the chapter, "The Permanent Education Press" in the book *The Malfunction of U.S. Education Policy: Elite Misinformation, Disinformation, and Selfishness*

Introduction and Guide

The following charts illustrate two characteristics of the Permanent Education Press: the pervasiveness of funding from the Gates and allied foundations; and the flow in, out, and in-between allegedly independent and objective media platforms and research or advocacy organizations that make no promises about independence. For every Debra Viadero or Jay Mathews who has stayed with traditional news media for life, there is another journalist happy to work at organizations with agendas and no pretensions about preserving independence or objectivity. Which, in turn, makes one wonder about the objectivity of their previous work.

Another revealed characteristic: a generally Northeastern, elite academic background—Ivy League or equivalent. It may be more than coincidence, then, that some choose to rely on "go to" expert sources with similar academic backgrounds, to the exclusion of a large population of more experienced, and more specifically trained sources.

Members of the "Permanent Education Press" have large regional or national audiences and remain in the education "industry" for life. That loyalty to education topics should have advantages: they should get to know topics more deeply and, by following them over time, can compare against evolving backgrounds and changing contexts. But some also get stuck in ruts, ... deeply. It is common for permanent education press members to rely exclusively on "go to" sources, thus skewing their coverage toward those sources' particular knowledge base, incentives, and biases. Moreover, their own community is tight and self-reinforcing; one journalist's "go to" source may be others' as well. Permanent Education Press groupthink is both profound and pervasive.

SOURCES: LinkedIn and journalists' CVs.

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Gates and Walton Grants to Media Organizations*

	Number of grants	... of which, exclusively education- related	Staff size**
Brightbeam, <i>Education Post</i>	14	14	hundreds
Chronicle of Higher Education	1	1	
Chalkbeat	13	13	77
Corporation for Public Broadcasting	2	2	
Editorial Projects in Education, Inc. (<i>Education Week</i>)	17	17	42
EdReports.org, Inc.	10	10	47
<i>EdSource</i>	10	10	23
<i>EdSurge</i>	7	7	11
<i>Education Next</i>	19	19	
Education Writers Association	21	21	
Future Ed/Georgetown University***	18	18	31
International Center for Journalists	10	10	74
National Public Radio	14	2	
Public Broadcasting Service	1	1	
The 74 Media	12	12	21
Thomas B. Fordham Institute	42	42	

* <https://www.gatesfoundation.org/about/committed-grants> &
<https://www.waltonfamilyfoundation.org/grants-database>

** gleaned from organization web sites, March 2023

*** Eight other Walton grants to Georgetown U. lack description
and may or may not include funding for Future Ed.

**Postsecondary degrees, certificates, and fellowships
awarded to the Permanent Education Press, by Institution**

<u>Institution</u>	<u>Number</u>
Columbia University	27
Harvard University	17
Stanford University	8
Boston University	4
University of Michigan	4
Northwestern University	4
Princeton University	3
Yale University	3
Brown University	2
University of California	2
Colby College	2
Fairleigh Dickinson University	2
Georgetown University	2
Oxford University	2
Syracuse University	2
Tufts University	2
Weslyan University	2
Allegheny College	1
Boston College	1
City University of New York	1
Cornell University	1
University of Delaware	1
Dickinson College	1
Duke University	1
Florida International University	1
Franklin College	1
Franklin & Marshall College	1
George Washington University	1
Georgia State University	1
Goucher College	1
Hamilton College	1
Hope College	1
Indiana University	1
University of Iowa	1
John Brown University	1
Kenyon College	1
Loyola U. (New Orleans)	1
University of Maryland	1
University of Minnesota	1
University of Missouri	1

Murray State University	1	
New York University	1	
University of North Carolina	1	
University of Notre Dame	1	
Oberlin College	1	
Ohio State University	1	
Pratt Institute	1	
St. John's College	1	
Sarah Lawrence	1	
State University of New York	1	
Tuskegee University	1	
University of Southern California	1	
University of Texas	1	
University of Toronto	1	
University of Virginia	1	
Washington University, St. Louis	1	
University of Washington	1	
Wellesley College	1	129

Sources: LinkedIn; Employer web pages

<u>by Region</u>	<u>Number</u>	
Northeast	85	
Southeast	9	
Midwest	19	
Southwest	1	
Far West	12	
Canada	1	
Outside North America	2	129

Mi Aniefuna, B.A., M.A. (Legal Studies) Farleigh Dickinson University, EdD
(Education) Columbia University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
2018	Texas Southern			
2019	University			
2020	Rowan University			
2021	Travelers Insurance			
2022			✓✓	Teachers College,
2023	<i>EdSurge</i>		✓✓	Columbia University

Eva-Marie Ayala, B.A. (Communications) University of Texas

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1999	<i>Fort Worth Star- Telegram</i>			
2000				
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2012				
2013	<i>Dallas Morning News</i>		✓	
2014			✓	
2015			✓	
2016			✓	
2017			✓✓	Education Writers Association Board
2018			✓✓	
2019			✓✓	
2020			✓✓	
2021			✓✓	
2022			✓✓	
2023			✓✓	

Matt Barnum [no degree listed]

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
2011	Teacher, Colorado Springs Schools			
2012				
2013		Educators 4 Excellence	✓	
2014			✓	
2015			✓✓	
2016		<i>The 74</i>	✓	
2017			✓✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020	<i>Chalkbeat</i>		✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓✓	Spencer Fellow, Columbia U.
2023			✓✓	

Jill Barshay , B.A. (History) Brown University; M.A. (Journalism) Columbia University;
 Certificate (Economics and Business Journalism) Columbia Business School]

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1995	Dow Jones Newswires			
1996				
1997	<i>Minneapolis Star Tribune</i>			
1998				SAT tutor to Native American student
1999	<i>Wall Street Journal</i>			
2000				
2001	<i>Congressional Quarterly</i>			
2002				
2003				VITA income tax assistance
2004				
2005				
2006	Marketplace			
2007			✓	
2008			✓	
2009			✓	
2010			✓	Knight-Bagehot Fellow
2011	<i>Hechinger Report</i>		✓	
2012			✓	
2013			✓	PTO executive for two Brooklyn charter/private schools
2014			✓	
2015			✓	
2016			✓✓	Spencer Fellow, Columbia University
2017			✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Douglas Belkin, B.A. Colby College

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1997	<i>Philadelphia Inquirer (Intern)</i>			
1998				
1999	<i>Palm Beach Post</i>			
2000				
2001	<i>Boston Globe</i>			
2002				
2003				
2004				
2005				
2006				
2007				
2008	<i>Wall Street Journal</i>			
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Kalyn Belsha, B.A. (Hispanic Studies) Boston College, M.S. (Journalism) Northwestern University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
2010	<i>Beaumont Enterprise</i>			
2011	freelance			
2012	Chicago Public Schools			
2013	<i>Chicago Tribune</i>			
2014				
2015				
2016	<i>Catalyst Chicago</i>			
2017	<i>Chicago Reporter</i>			
2018			✓	Spencer Fellow, Columbia University
2019			✓✓	
2020	<i>Chalkbeat</i>		✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Evie Blad, B.A. (Journalism) John Brown University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post-Graduate Education
2006	<i>Benton County Daily Record</i>			
2007				
2008	<i>Arkansas Democrat- Gazette</i>			
2009				
2010				
2011				
2012				
2013	<i>Education Week</i>			
2014			✓	
2015			✓	
2016			✓	
2017			✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Collin Binkley, B.A. (Journalism) Ohio State University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
2009	<i>Buffalo News</i>			
2010	<i>The Lantern</i>			
2011	<i>Columbus Dispatch</i>			
2012				
2013				
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2016	Associated Press			
2017				
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Andrew Brownstein, B.S. (Journalism) University of Iowa

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1996	<i>Bangor Daily News</i>			
1997				
1998				
1999	<i>Albany Times- Union</i>			
2000				
2001	<i>Chronicle of Higher Education</i> Thompson Publishing Group			
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2013				
2014	freelance			
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2016				
2017		<i>The 74</i>	✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Lauren Camera, B.A. (English) Colby College; M.A., (Journalism) Boston University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
2006	Scripps Howard, <i>Bangor Daily News</i>			
2007	<i>Chronicle of Higher Education</i>		✓	
2008	Elsevier Business			
2009				
2010				
2011	<i>CQ Roll Call</i>			
2012				
2013			✓	Spencer Fellow, Columbia University
2014	<i>Education Week</i>		✓	
2015			✓	
2016				
2017				
2018	<i>U.S. News & World Report</i>			
2019				
2020				
2021				
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2023				

Ben Chapman, B.A. (Sociology) University of California, M.A. (Journalism) Columbia University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
2001	Nielsen			
2002				
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2006	<i>Washington Post</i> (freelance)			
2007				
2008				
2009	<i>New York Daily News</i>			
2010				
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2019				
2020	<i>Wall Street Journal</i>			
2021				
2022				
2023				

Stephanie Chavez, (Public Relations & Journalism) University of Southern California

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1995	<i>Los Angeles Times</i>			
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Rose Ciotta, B.S. (Journalism) Syracuse University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1990				Knight Fellowship, Stanford University
1991				
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1995	Investigative Reporters and Editors			
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2000	<i>Philadelphia Inquirer</i>			
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2013				
2014	WIVB/WNLO TV			
2015				
2016			✓	
2017	<i>EdSource</i>		✓	Founder, Investigative Editing Corps
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Sarah Darville, B.A. (English) Columbia University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
2010	<i>South Florida Sun Sentinel</i>			
2011	<i>Gotham Schools , New York Daily News</i>			
2012	<i>Columbia Daily Spectator</i>			
2013	<i>Chalkbeat</i>		✓✓	Google Journalism Fellow, Nieman Lab, Harvard University
2014			✓	
2015			✓	
2016			✓	
2017			✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Maureen Downey, University of Delaware, Columbia University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1979	<i>New Jersey Herald</i>			
1980	<i>Fort Myers News-Press</i>			
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1984	<i>Atlanta Journal-Constitution</i>			
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Steve Drummond, B.A. (Economics) University of Michigan, M.A. (Journalism)
University of Michigan, M.A. (Education) University of Michigan

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1988	<i>St. Petersburg Times</i>			
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1992	<i>Education Week</i>			
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1999				
2000	<i>National Public Radio</i>		✓	
2001			✓	
2002			✓	
2003			✓	
2004			✓	
2005			✓	
2006			✓	
2007			✓	
2008			✓	
2009			✓	
2010			✓	
2011			✓	
2012			✓	
2013			✓	Journalism Professor, Princeton University
2014			✓	
2015			✓✓	Education Writers Association Board
2016			✓✓	
2017			✓✓	
2018			✓✓	
2019			✓✓	
2020			✓✓	
2021			✓✓	
2022			✓✓	
2023			✓✓	

Adam Eisenberg, B.A. (Psychology) University of Central Florida, M.A. (Journalism)
University of South Florida

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
2004	<i>Orlando Sentinel</i>			
2005				
2006	<i>South Florida Sun Sentinel</i>			
2007				
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2013				
2014				
2015				
2016				
2017				
2018	Morrisville State College			
2019				
2020	Patch.com			
2021				
2022	<i>EdSource</i>		✓	
2023			✓	

John Fensterwald, B.A. (History) Tufts University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1985	<i>Concord Monitor</i>			
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1996				Stanford University Journalism Fellowship
1997				
1998				
1999	<i>San Jose Mercury News</i>			
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2009		Silicon Valley Education Foundation	✓	
2010			✓	
2011			✓	
2012			✓✓	
2013	<i>EdSource</i>		✓	
2014			✓	
2015			✓	
2016			✓	
2017			✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	

2023			✓	
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Cara Fitzpatrick, B.A. (International Studies) University of Washington, M.A.
(Journalism) Columbia University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
2002	<i>Tri-City Herald</i>			
2003				
2004				
2005				
2006	<i>Palm Beach Post</i>			
2007				
2008				
2009				
2010				
2011	<i>South Florida Sun Sentinel</i>			
2012				
2013	<i>Tampa Bay Times</i>			
2014				
2015				
2016				
2017			✓	Spencer Fellow, Columbia University
2018			✓✓	
2019			✓	New America Fellow
2020	<i>Chalkbeat</i>		✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Catherine Gewertz, B.A. Stanford University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1994	<i>Los Angeles Times , UPI</i>			
1995				
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1999	<i>Education Week</i>			
2000				
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2002				
2003				
2004				
2005			✓	
2006			✓	
2007			✓	
2008			✓	
2009			✓	
2010			✓	
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2012			✓	
2013			✓	
2014			✓	
2015			✓	
2016			✓	
2017			✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022		Center for Assessment	✓✓	
2023			✓	

Elizabeth Green, B.A. (Social Studies) Harvard University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
2006	<i>U.S. News & World Report</i>			
2007				
2008	<i>New York Sun</i>			
2009	Civic News Company (i.e., Chalkbeat)		✓✓	Spencer Fellow, Columbia University
2010			✓✓	
2011			✓	
2012			✓✓	Abe Journalism Fellow, Social Science Research Council
2013			✓	
2014			✓	
2015			✓	
2016			✓	
2017			✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	Founder, American Journalism Project
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Erica L. Green, B.A. (Communications) Goucher College, M.S. (Journalism)
Northwestern University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
2009	<i>Chicago Sun-Times</i>			
2010	<i>The Gazette</i> , Frederick, MD			
2011	<i>Baltimore Sun</i>			
2012				
2013				
2014				
2015				
2016				
2017				
2018	<i>New York Times</i>		✓	Education Writers Association Board
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Dana Goldstein, B.A. (History) Brown University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
2007	<i>American Prospect</i>			
2008				
2009	<i>Daily Beast</i>			
2010				
2011	freelance			
2012				
2013				
2014	The Marshall Project			
2015				
2016	freelance			
2017	<i>New York Times</i>			
2018				
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2022				
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Caroline Hendrie, B.A., (English) Wesleyan University, Certificate (Executive Leadership) Harvard University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1983	<i>Journal Inquirer</i> (CT)			
1984				
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1989	<i>The Record</i> (Bergen County, NJ)			
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1999	<i>Education Week</i>			
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2005			✓	
2006			✓	
2007			✓	
2008			✓	
2009			✓	
2010			✓✓	
2011			✓	
2012			✓	
2013			✓	
2014	<i>Education Writers Association</i>		✓	
2015			✓	
2016			✓✓	Harvard Kennedy School
2017			✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	

2021		✓	
2022		✓	
2023		✓	

David J. Hoff, B.A. (History) Hope College, Certificate (Data Analytics) George
Wahington University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Organization	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1986	<i>Etc.</i>			
1987				
1988				
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1992	Capitol Publications			
1993				
1994				
1995				
1996				
1997	<i>Education Week</i>			
1998				
1999				
2000				
2001				
2002				
2003				
2004				
2005			✓	
2006			✓	
2007			✓	
2008			✓	
2009			✓	
2010	US Department of Education			
2011				
2012		Nat'l Alliance for Charter Schools	✓	
2013	Hager Sharp		✓	
2014				
2015			✓	
2016			✓	
2017			✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	Education Writers Association Board
2020	consultant		✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Joanne Jacobs, B.A. Stanford University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1978	San Jose Mercury News			
1979				
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2000				
2001			✓	
2002	Freelance writer for "Education Next, Hechinger Report "	Freelance writer for "Fordham Institute, and Innovate Public Schools"	✓	
2003			✓✓	
2004			✓✓	
2005			✓✓	
2006			✓✓	
2007			✓✓	
2008			✓✓	
2009			✓✓	
2010			✓✓	
2011			✓✓	
2012			✓✓	
2013			✓✓	
2014			✓✓	
2015			✓✓	
2016			✓✓	
2017			✓✓	

2018		✓✓	
2019		✓✓	
2020		✓✓	
2021		✓✓	
2022		✓✓	
2023		✓✓	

Linda Jacobson, B.A. (Journalism) Georgia State

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1990	<i>Atlanta Journal Constitution</i>			
1991				
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1995	Education Writers Association			
1996				
1997	<i>Education Week</i>			
1998				
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2001				
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2003				
2004				
2005			✓	
2006			✓	
2007			✓	
2008			✓	
2009			✓	
2010	freelance			
2011				
2012				
2013				
2014				
2015				
2016				
2017	<i>Education Dive</i>			
2018				
2019				
2020		<i>The 74</i>	✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Craig Jerald, B.A. (Sociology) Franklin & Marshall College

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1995		US Education Department		
1996				
1997				
1998	<i>Education Week</i>			
1999				
2000			✓	
2001		The Education Trust	✓	
2002			✓	
2003			✓	
2004			✓	
2005	consultant			
2006				
2007				
2008				
2009				
2010				
2011				
2012				
2013		College Board	✓	
2014			✓	
2015			✓	
2016	consultant			
2017		Consultant: Future Ed	✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Anya Kamenetz, B.A., (Literature) Yale

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
2008	<i>Fast Company</i>			
2009				
2010				
2011				
2012				
2013				
2014	National Public Radio		✓	
2015			✓	
2016			✓	
2017			✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Rebecca Koenig, B.A. (History) College of William & Mary

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
2017	<i>U.S News &</i>			
2018	<i>World Report</i>			
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021	<i>EdSurge</i>		✓	Volunteer Editor, Street Sense Media
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Melissa Korn, B.A. (English) Cornell University, M.S. (Journalism) Columbia University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post-Graduate Education
2004	<i>Fast Company</i> (Intern)			
2005				
2006	<i>Financial Times</i> (Intern)			
2007	Dow Jones Newswires			
2008				
2009				
2010				
2011				
2012	<i>Wall Street Journal</i>			Bronfman Youth Fellowships Board
2013				
2014				
2015				
2016				Women@DJ Cofounder & Co-Chair
2017				
2018				
2019				
2020				
2021				
2022				Camp Friendship Food Pantry
2023				

Kevin Mahken, B.A., (Liberal Arts) Sarah Lawrence

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
2011		Lobbyist, Sage Systems		
2012	<i>Humanities Magazine</i>	Intern for Sen. Chuck Schumer		
2013	<i>New Republic</i>	Thomas B. Fordham Institute	✓	
2014			✓	
2015			✓	
2016		<i>The 74</i>	✓	
2017			✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Jay Mathews, B.A. (Government) Harvard, M.A. (East Asia Studies) Harvard

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1980	Washington Post			
1981				
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2023			

Barbara McKenna, B.A. (English) Oberlin College, Certificate (HR Management)
Stanford Management Academy

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Organization	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1980	<i>Washington Post</i>			
1981				
1982				
1983				
1984				
1985	<i>Santa Cruz Sentinel, The Sun, and The Express</i>			
1986				
1987				
1988				
1989				
1990				
1991	UC Santa Cruz staff newspaper			
1992				
1993				
1994				
1995		UC Santa Cruz, Public Relations		
1996				
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2000				
2001		Center for Research on Education, Diversity & Excellence		
2002				
2003				
2004				
2005				
2006		Stanford Center for Opportunity Policy in Education		
2007				
2008				
2009				
2010				
2011				
2012			✓	
2013			✓	Big Brothers, Big Sisters
2014			✓	
2015	WesrEd, REL West		✓✓✓	
2016			✓✓	
2017			✓	Education Writers Association Board
2018			✓	

2019		Learning Policy Institute	✓✓	Association Board, Community Advisory Board
2020			✓✓	
2021			✓✓	
2022			✓✓	
2023			✓✓	

Michele McNeil, B.A. (Franklin College); M.P.P. (Public Policy) University of Maryland

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1997	<i>Indianapolis Star</i>			
1998				
1999				
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2003				
2004				
2005				
2006			✓	
2007	<i>Education Week</i>		✓✓	U. Maryland
2008			✓✓	
2009			✓✓	
2010			✓✓	
2011			✓	
2012			✓	
2013			✓	
2014			✓✓	
2015		College Board	✓	
2016			✓	
2017			✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Laura Meckler, B.A. (Political Science) Washington University in St. Louis

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1995	Associated Press			
1996				
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2004				
2005				Board Member, Washington University Student Media
2006	Wall Street Journal			
2007				
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2015				
2016	Washington Post			
2017				
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2019				
2020				
2021				
2022				
2023				

Kathy Moore, B.S. (Journalism) Boston University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
2001	<i>The Journal News</i> , Mount Kisco, NY			
2002				
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2009				
2010				
2011				
2012				
2013	Gannett Newspapers			
2014				
2015		<i>The 74</i>	✓	
2016			✓	
2017			✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Jo Napolitano, B.A. (Journalism) Northwestern University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1997	<i>Newsday</i>			
1998	<i>Southampton</i>			
1999	<i>Press</i>			
2000	<i>The Monitor</i>			
2001	(McAllen, TX)			
2002	<i>New York Times</i>			
2003				
2004				
2005				
2006	<i>Chicago Tribune</i>			
2007				
2008				
2009				
2010	Argonne Lab			
2011				
2012				
2013	<i>Newsday</i>			
2014				
2015				
2016			✓	Spencer Fellow, Columbia U.
2017			✓	
2018				
2019				
2020	<i>Hechinger</i>	<i>The 74</i>	✓✓✓	EWA Fellow; Fund for Investigative Journalism
2021	<i>Report</i>		✓✓✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Nicole Avery Nichols, B.A. (English) Tuskegee University, M.A. (Journalism) Syracuse University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post-Graduate Education
1993	<i>Syracuse Observer Dispatch</i>			
1994				
1995				
1996				
1997				
1998	<i>Detroit News</i>			
1999				
2000				
2001	<i>Detroit Free Press</i>			
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2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023	<i>Chalkbeat</i>		✓	

Felice Nudelman, B.A. (Philosophy) Alegheny College, M.F.A. Pratt Institute, MDP
(Education) Harvard University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Organization	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1997	Pace University, School of Education			
1998				
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2000	New York Times Company, Education			
2001				
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2007				
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2010				
2011	Antioch University			
2012			✓	Rotary Education Service Committee
2013			✓	
2014			✓	
2015			✓✓	
2016			✓✓	
2017		Weiss Institute	✓	Education Writers Association Board
2018			✓	
2019		American Assn of State Colleges and Universities	✓✓	
2020			✓✓	
2021			✓✓	
2022			✓✓	
2023			✓✓	

Lynn Olson, B.A. (Psychology) Yale

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1980	Education Week	Children's Defense Fund		
1981				
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2002				Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching
2003			✓	
2004			✓	Carnegie, plus NYS Archives Board
2005			✓✓	
2006			✓✓	
2007			✓✓	Carnegie, NYS Archives, Plus Urban Institute
2008			✓✓	
2009		Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation	✓✓	Urban Institute Advisory Board
2010			✓	
2011			✓	
2012			✓	
2013			✓	
2014			✓	
2015			✓	
2016			✓	

2017			✓✓✓	
2018			✓✓	
2019			✓✓	
2020		Consultant:	✓✓	
2021		Aspen Institute,	✓✓	
2022		Future Ed	✓✓	
2023			✓✓	

Denise-Marie Ordway, M.A. (Education) Harvard University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1999	<i>Orlando Sentinel</i>			
2000				
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2012				
2013				
2014			✓	Nieman Fellow, Harvard University
2015			✓✓	
2016			✓	
2017		The Journalist's Resource, Harvard Kennedy School	✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓✓	Education Writers Association Board
2020			✓✓	
2021			✓✓	
2022			✓✓	
2023			✓✓	

Linda Perlstein, B.A. (Government) Wesleyan University); M.I.A. (International Affairs)
Columbia University

	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
time period				
1994	Washington Post			
1995				
1996				
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2003				
2004				
2005				
2006				
2007				
2008	Education Writers Association		✓✓	Columbia U.
2009			✓	
2010			✓	
2011			✓✓✓	
2012			✓✓✓	
2013		Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation; Center on Reinventing Public Education (U. Washington); Edunomics Lab (Georgetown U.); Aspen Institute	✓✓✓✓	
2014			✓✓✓✓✓✓	
2015	Amazon Books		✓✓✓✓✓✓	Teacher Project (Columbia U.) ; Friends of the Children (Seattle); Post-Prison Education Program; Northwest Harvest
2016			✓✓✓	
2017		✓✓✓✓		
2018		✓✓✓✓		
2019		✓✓✓		
2020		✓✓		
2021		✓✓✓✓		
2022		✓✓✓✓		
2023		✓✓		

Chastity Pratt, B.A. (English) University of Michigan, Certificate (Education Finance)
Georgetown University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1995	<i>New York Times (Intern)</i>			
1996	<i>The Oregonian</i>			
1997				
1998				
1999	<i>Newsday</i>			
2000				
2001				
2002	<i>Detroit Free Press</i>			
2003				
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2009				
2010				
2011				
2012				
2013	<i>Bridge Magazine , Center for Michigan</i>		✓	<i>American Black Journal , Guest Host</i>
2014			✓	
2015			✓	
2016			✓	
2017			✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	Nieman Fellow, Harvard University
2020	<i>Wall Street Journal</i>		✓✓	
2021			✓	Instructor, Harvard University
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Arianna Prothero, B.A. (Political Science) Indiana University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
2008	WFIU Public Radio			
2009				
2010	WLRN Public Radio			
2011				
2012				
2013				
2014	<i>Education Week</i>			
2015			✓	
2016			✓	
2017			✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Katie Reilly, B.A. (English) University of North Carolina

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
2009	<i>Village Reporter</i>			
2010	<i>North Andover Citizen</i>			
2011	<i>Daily Tar Heel</i>			
2012				
2013	Pew Research Center			Social Justice Center Co-Director
2014	<i>Raleigh News & Observer; Boston Magazine; Daily Tar Heel</i>			
2015	<i>U.S. News & World Report ; Thompson Reuters</i>			
2016	<i>TIME Magazine</i>			
2017				
2018				
2019				
2020				
2021				
2022				
2023				

Joy Resmovitz, B.A. (English) Columbia University [Barnard]

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
2008	<i>St. Louis Beacon, New Yorker, Columbia Daily Spectator</i>			
2009	<i>The Forward, New York Daily News, Columbia Daily Spectator</i>			
2010	<i>Wall Street Journal</i>			Forward Fellow, The Forward
2011	<i>Huffington Post</i>			
2012				
2013				
2014			✓	Spencer Fellow, Columbia University
2015			✓✓	
2016	<i>Los Angeles</i>		✓	Education Writers Association Board
2017	<i>Times</i>		✓	
2018			✓✓	
2019	<i>Seattle Times</i>		✓✓	
2020			✓✓	
2021			✓✓	
2022	<i>The Trace</i>		✓	
2023			✓	

Erin Richards B.A. (Mass Communication) Murray State; M.A. (Journalism)
University of Missouri

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work or Post-Graduate Education
2007	<i>Milwaukee Journal-Sentinal</i>			
2008				
2009				
2010				
2011				
2012				
2013				
2014				
2015	<i>Milwaukee Journal Sentinal; USA Today</i>		✓	Spencer Fellow, Columbia U.
2016			✓	
2017			✓	O'Brien Fellow, Marquette University
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022		Center on Reinventing Public Education	✓✓	
2023			✓✓	

Emily Richmond, B.A. (English) Wellesley College, M.A. (Journalism) Stanford University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work or Post-Graduate Education
2002	<i>Las Vegas Sun</i>			
2003				
2004				
2005				
2006				
2007				
2008				
2009				
2010				
2011	Education Writers' Association*		✓✓	
2012			✓✓	
2013			✓✓	
2014			✓✓	
2015			✓✓	
2016			✓✓	
2017			✓✓	
2018			✓✓	
2019			✓✓	
2020			✓✓	
2021			✓✓	
2022			✓✓	
2023			✓✓	

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Erik Robelen, B.A. (English) Dickinson College, M.A. (English) University of Virginia

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work or Post-Graduate Education
1993	Richmond Suburban Newspapers			
1994	<i>Inside Washington</i>			
1995				
1996				
1997				
1998		Association for Supervision & Curriculum Development		
1999				
2000	<i>Education Week</i>			
2001				
2002				
2003				
2004				
2005			✓	
2006			✓	
2007			✓	
2008			✓	
2009			✓	
2010			✓	
2011			✓	
2012			✓	
2013			✓	
2014			✓✓	
2015	Education Writers' Association (EWA)		✓	
2016			✓	
2017			✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023	EWA & Hager Sharp		✓	

Robert Rothman, B.A., (Political Science) Yale

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Research or Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1986	<i>Education Week</i>			
1987				
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1993				
1994		CRESST		
1995				
1996				
1997		National Research Council		
1998			✓	
1999			✓	
2000		Achieve	✓	
2001			✓	
2002			✓✓	
2003		Annenberg Institute for School Reform	✓	
2004			✓	
2005			✓	
2006			✓	
2007			✓	
2008			✓	
2009			✓✓	
2010		Alliance for Excellent Education	✓	
2011			✓	
2012			✓	
2013			✓	
2014			✓	
2015			✓	
2016			✓	
2017		National Center on Education and the Economy	✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	

Alexander Russo, B.A. (English) Stanford University; EdM (Education Policy)
Harvard University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work or Post-Graduate Education
1987	Teacher, Harvard- Westlake School			
1988				
1989				
1990				
1991		Policy Studies Associates		
1992				
1993				
1993		Legislative Aide, Office of Senator Diane Feinstein		
1994				
1995		Senior Policy Advisor, Office of Senator Jeff Bingaman		
1996				
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2002				
2003				
2004	<i>This Week in Education</i>			
2005				
2006				
2007				
2008			✓	Spencer Fellow, Columbia University
2009			✓	
2010				
2011				
2012				
2013				
2014				
2015				
2016			✓	
2017			✓	
2018	<i>The Grade</i>		✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Stephen Sawchuk, B.A. (English) Georgetown University, M.A. (English) Columbia University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
2005	LRP Publications			
2006				
2007				
2008			✓	
2009	<i>Education Week</i>		✓	
2010			✓	
2011			✓	
2012			✓	
2013			✓	
2014			✓	
2015			✓	
2016			✓	
2017			✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Sarah Schwartz, B.A. (History) Princeton University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Organization	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
2012	Int'l Rescue Committee		✓	
2013			✓	
2014	East Harlem Schl		✓	Breakthrough N Y
2015			✓	
2016	<i>Education Week</i>		✓	Migration Policy Inst
2017			✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Beth Shuster, B.A. (English) University of California

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Organization	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1983				
<i>Los Angeles Daily News*</i>				
<i>Los Angeles Times*</i>				
2016	University of Southern California		✓	
2017			✓	
2018			✓✓	Education Writers Association Board
2019			✓✓	
2020			✓✓	
2021			✓✓	
2022			✓✓	
2023			✓✓	

* dates unknown

Steve Snyder, B.S. (Business) University of Minnesota, M.S. (Journalism) Columbia University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Organization	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1998	Greater Milwaukee Today			
1999				
2000				
2001				
2002	KFAI & KUOM Radio			
2003				
2004	NBC Sports			
2005				
2006	<i>Newsday</i>			
2007				
2008	<i>TIME magazine</i>			
2009				
2010				
2011				
2012				
2013				
2014	People Magazine	The 74		
2015			✓	
2016			✓	
2017			✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Sarah D. Sparks, B.A. (Communications) Loyola University, New Orleans, M.A.
(Journalism) Boston University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Organization	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1999	<i>New Orleans</i>			
2000	<i>Times Picayune</i>			
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2002	<i>Republican-</i>			
2003	<i>American</i>			
2004	(Waterbury, CT)			
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2007	LRP Publications			
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2010			✓	
2011			✓	
2012			✓	
2013			✓	
2014			✓	
2015			✓	
2016			✓	
2017	<i>Education Week</i>		✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Eric Stirgus, B.A. (Journalism) New York University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1993	<i>New York Daily News</i>			
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1996	<i>New York Post</i>			
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1999	<i>Tampa Bay Times</i>			
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2012	<i>Atlanta Journal- Constitution</i>			
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Valerie Strauss, M.A. (Northwestern)

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1980	Reuters, UPI, <i>Los Angeles Times</i>			
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1987	<i>Washington Post</i>			
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Mark Suzman, B.A. Harvard; MPhil, PhD (International Relations) Oxford University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1993	<i>Financial Times</i>			
1994				
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2000		United Nations	✓	
2001			✓	
2002			✓	
2003			✓	
2004			✓	
2005			✓	
2006			✓	
2007		Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation	✓	
2008			✓	
2009			✓	
2010			✓	
2011			✓	
2012			✓	
2013			✓	
2014			✓	
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2017			✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Thomas Toch, B.A. Kenyon College, M.A. University of Toronto

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work or Post-Graduate Education
1989	<i>U.S. News & World Report</i>			
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1999			✓	Brookings Institution & Harvard GSE
2000			✓✓	
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2006			✓	
2007		Education Sector	✓	
2008			✓	
2009			✓	
2010			✓	
2011		Independent Education		
2012		Carnegie Foundation	✓	
2013			✓	
2014			✓	
2015			✓	
2016		Future Ed, Georgetown University	✓	
2017			✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Greg Toppo, B.A. (Liberal Arts) St. John's College

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Organization	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work or Post-Graduate Education
2000	Associated Press			
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2003	USA Today			
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2015			✓	Education Writers Association Board
2016			✓	
2017			✓	
2018			✓✓	
2019	Inside Higher Ed		✓✓	
2020	Northwestern U		✓	
2021			✓	
2022		The 74	✓	
2023			✓	

Andrew Ujifusa, B.A. (English) Harvard University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Organization	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work or Post-Graduate Education
2004	Japan Exchange & Teaching			
2005				
2006	<i>Madison County Journal</i> , MS			
2007				
2008				
2009	<i>The Gazette</i> , Maryland			
2010				
2011				
2012			✓	
2013	<i>Education Week</i>		✓	
2014			✓	
2015			✓	
2016			✓	
2017			✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓✓	
2023	<i>Chalkbeat</i>		✓	

Anne Vasquez, B.S. (Journalism) Florida International University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Organization	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work or Post-Graduate Education
1996	<i>Miami Herald</i>			
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1999	<i>San Jose Mercury News</i>			
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2006	<i>South Florida Sun Sentinel</i>			
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2017	Tribune Publishing			
2018	<i>EdSource</i>		✓	Digital Media Consultant
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓✓	Adjunct Professor, USC
2023			✓✓	

Debra Viadero-Rogers, B.A., (Journalism) Boston University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1983	Delaware State News			
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1985	<i>Capital-Gazette</i>			
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2005	<i>Education Week</i>		✓	
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2022		✓	
2023		✓	

Patrick Wall, B.A. (Film) University of Notre Dame, M.A. (Journalism) City University of New York

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post-Graduate Education
2006	Center for New American Media			
2007	Teacher, Teach for America		✓	
2008			✓	
2009			✓	
2010	<i>The Local Blog</i>			
2011	Intern, <i>Christian Science Monitor</i> , <i>New York Times</i>			
2012	<i>DNAinfo</i>			
2013			✓	
2014	<i>Chalkbeat</i>		✓	
2015			✓	
2016			✓✓	Spencer Fellow, Columbia University
2017			✓✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

JoAnne Wasserman, B.A. (Literature) State University of New York

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1986	<i>New York Daily News</i>			
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2014	<i>Capital</i>			
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2016	New York City Government			
2017				
2018				
2019				
2020		<i>The 74</i>	✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Olivia B. Waxman, B.A. (Government) Hamilton College, M.S. (Journalism)
Columbia University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
2005		Office of NYS		
2006		Senator Liz		
2007		Krueger		
2008				
2009	NY1 News (Intern)	Office of US Senator Charles Schumer		
2010	Talking Points Memo (Intern)			
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2017	TIME Magazine			
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Bev Weintraub, B.A. (Linguistics) Columbia University (Barnard College)

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1990	New York Daily News			
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2014	Speechwriter, NYS Attorney General			
2015	Consultant, The	The 74		
2016	Flying		✓	
2017	Typewriter		✓	
2018	Washington		✓	
2019	Post		✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Liz Willen, B.A. Tufts University, M.A. (Journalism) Columbia University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1992	<i>Newsday</i>			
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2000	<i>Bloomberg News</i>			
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2006	<i>Hechinger Report</i>		✓	
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2013			✓	
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2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
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Jeffrey Young, B.A. (English) Princeton University, M.A. (Communications) Georgetown University

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
1995	<i>Chronicle of Higher Education</i>			
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2009			✓	Adjunct Professor, University of Maryland
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2011			✓	
2012			✓	
2013			✓	Nieman Fellow, Harvard University
2014			✓	
2015			✓	Adjunct Professor, University of Maryland
2016			✓	
2017	<i>EdSurge</i>		✓	Lecturer, University of Minnesota
2018			✓✓	
2019			✓	
2020			✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	

Emmeline Zhao, B.A. (Public Policy) Duke

time period	(Allegedly) Independent Media Platform	Advocacy Organization	Funded by Gates & Walton?	Volunteer Work, Fellowship, or Post- Graduate Education
2008	<i>Duke Chronicle,</i>			
2009	<i>Financial Times,</i>			
2010	<i>Wall Street Journal</i>			
2011				
2012	<i>Huffington Post</i>			
2013				
2014			✓	
2015	<i>RealClear Education</i>	Bellwether Partners	✓	
2016			✓	
2017			✓	
2018			✓	
2019			✓	
2020		<i>The 74</i>	✓	
2021			✓	
2022			✓	
2023			✓	