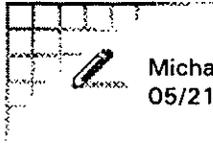


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Subject: Press paper and California

Christa and I tried to figure out how to handle the issue of California's participation in the testing initiative. We need to not back away from our previous announcement, while not rekindling a battle in California, or between us and Pete Wilson. Here's the approach:

1. the one-pager Christa sent has a carefully worded statement about officials in WVA and MASS joining those in NC, Maryland, Michigan and California in endorsing the testing initiative. That is an accurate statement.
2. In his remarks, the President should omit mentioning California; if his remarks get picked up, that will most likely set things off in CA, especially if he departs from a carefully prepared text.
3. If the WH Press asks what happened to CA, we can point to the statement in the 1-pager.
4. I will prepare a Q&A for McCurry and Toiv that will basically (1) reiterate that Delaine Eastin endorsed the tests and pledged to work to get CA to participate; (2) acknowledge that they are having a dispute in CA about who has the authority to decide what tests are given; (3) that we are not part of their governance battle, but hope that they stop fighting soon and focusing on helping kids reach national and international standards in reading and math, and that our tests can help them do that.

What do you think?

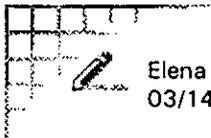
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Delaine Eastin and John Doerr (who is heading up the CEO effort) met together with the VP in California on Thursday (Elaine was included in a dinner with Doerr and other technology CEOs that we already had scheduled), and both confirmed their support for the event. Doerr is moving forward with gathering the industry endorsements.

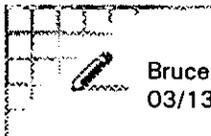
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I spoke with Delaine Eastin this evening and confirmed that she is still committed to endorsing our testing proposal and expressing her intent for California to participate in it. She is prepared for an event, with high tech ceo's on the 24th. She has suggested a few schools in Union City --diverse, working class community 45 minutes from SF, with excellent schools that are involved in her challenge to adopt challenging academic standards, great public support, and cutting-edge technology initiatives -- as a possible site for the event.

I don't know if this works logistically, and told her we'd get back to her. The good news is we have the confirmation we need to proceed.

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