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As director of the Center for Education Policy at the Heritage Foundation, Lindsey Burke oversees the foundation's research and policy on issues pertaining to preschool, K-12, and higher education reform.

Burke's commentary, research, and op-eds have appeared in numerous magazines and newspapers, and she is a frequent guest on radio and television shows and speaks on education reform issues across the country and internationally. She has published evaluations of education choice options for public policy foundations such as the Virginia Institute for Public Policy and EdChoice and has done extensive work developing and evaluating education savings accounts (ESAs).

In 2013, Burke was also named the Will Skillman Fellow in Education Policy, devoting her time and research to reducing federal intervention in education at all levels and empowering families with education choice. In 2015, Burke won Heritage's prestigious W. Glenn and Rita Ricardo Campbell Award in recognition of her work fighting for expanded education choice options. Burke also serves as a fellow at EdChoice, the namesake foundation of Milton and Rose Friedman, and is on the National Advisory Board of Learn4Life, a network of public charter schools working with opportunity youth.

Burke holds a bachelor's degree in politics from Hollins University in Roanoke, Va., and a master of teaching degree in foreign language education from the University of Virginia. She earned her Ph.D. in education policy from George Mason University, where she examined the intersection of education choice and institutional theory.