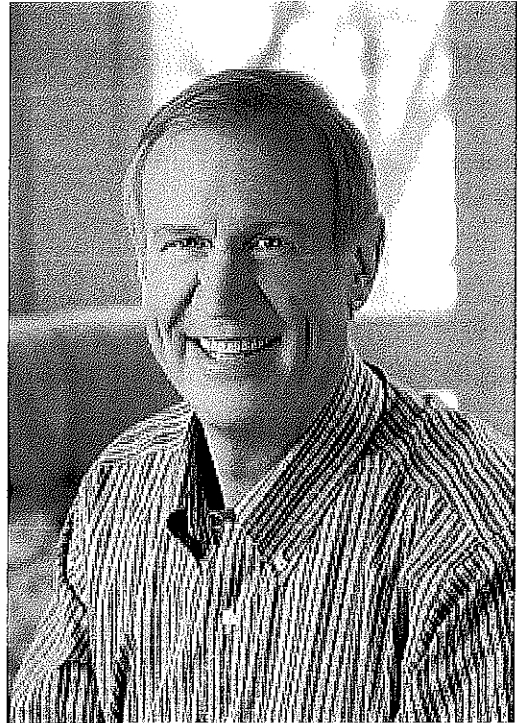


Bruce Rauner

Illinois Governor

Bruce Rauner (Republican) was sworn in as the 42nd Governor of Illinois on Jan. 12, 2015. His goal as governor is to create a more prosperous state, where everyone has an opportunity to succeed.

Bruce will remain focused on delivering value for taxpayers, creating a pro-jobs economic climate, ensuring world-class schools and educational options for every Illinoisan, and bringing term limits and greater accountability to state government.



Bruce was born in Illinois and is a self-made businessman who had no inheritance or family wealth. A dedicated and diligent student, Bruce worked while he attended Dartmouth College, where he graduated with top honors. He went on to earn an M.B.A. from Harvard.

Returning to Illinois in 1981, Bruce began working at then startup investment company Golder, Thoma, Cressey (later GTCR). As one of its earliest partners, Bruce helped build the firm into one of the most successful and respected businesses in Illinois. GTCR has been trusted for decades to oversee the retirement investments of first responders, teachers and other Illinois workers and has created tremendous returns for them - far surpassing the stock market's performance - providing exceptional value for taxpayers.

Bruce has reinvested much of his success into the state he loves through supporting education, the YMCA, local hospitals and community organizations. His greatest passion is education. Bruce and his wife, Diana, have devoted a tremendous amount of their personal time and resources to improving education throughout the state.