DIVERSE NATIONAL COALITION PLEASED WITH PRESIDENT BIDEN’S PROPOSED INVESTMENT IN STUDENT SUPPORT AND ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT GRANT

On behalf of the undersigned members of the Title IV-A Coalition, we offer the following response to President Biden’s FY 22 proposal for the Student Support and Academic Enrichment (SSAE) grant program, authorized under Title IV, Part A of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA):

Washington DC - May 28, 2021 — “The Title IV-A Coalition, a strong alliance of national organizations advocating for federal investments in safe and healthy students, a well-rounded education, and the effective use of technology is pleased to see President Biden’s request of $1.22 billion for the bipartisan Student Support and Academic Enrichment block grant program under Title IV-A of ESSA. Over the years, this flexible funding stream has allowed states and districts to invest in a plethora of evidence-based programs that offer the support students need to succeed and thrive academically, emotionally, and socially.

It is heartening to see a President who is committed to the well-being of children, our educators, and the education system as a whole and understands the importance of strong federal investments in these areas. The continued funding for Title IV-A will offer states and districts the ability to continue building on their successes, lessons learned, and expand access to programs where needed.

We are grateful to President Biden for this proposal and look forward to Congress funding Title IV-A of ESSA at a minimum of $2 billion in fiscal year 2022.

Title IV-A Coalition Members:

- Advance CTE
- Afterschool Alliance
- Alliance for Excellent Education
- American Counseling Association
- American Federation of School Administrators
- American Heart Association
- American Library Association
- American Occupational Therapy Association
- American Psychological Association
- American School Counselor Association
- City Year Inc
- Committee for Children
- Communities In Schools
- Consortium for School Networking
- Council of Administrators of Special Education
- Educational Theatre Association
- Futures Without Violence
- Girl Scouts of the USA
- International Baccalaureate
- Organization
- International Society for Technology in Education
- in Education
- League of American Orchestras
- MENTOR National
- National Association for College Admission Counseling
- National Association for College
- National Association for Music Education
- National Association of School Nurses
- National Association of School Psychologists
- National Association of Secondary School Principals
- National Center for Learning Disabilities
- National Council for the Social Studies
- National Council of Teachers of Mathematics
- National PTA
- National Science Teaching Association
- National Summer Learning Association
- School Social Work Association of America
- School-Based Health Alliance
- Society of Health and Physical Educators
- State Education Agency Directors of Arts Education
- State Educational Technology Directors Association
- STEM Education Coalition
- The College Board