

TITLE IV-A COALITION

ALLIANCE OF NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS DEDICATED TO SAFE AND HEALTHY STUDENTS DEMAND ACTION TO ENSURE STUDENTS ARE SAFE FROM GUN VIOLENCE

June 2, 2022 - Washington DC—The undersigned members of the [Title IV-A Coalition](#)—a group of national organizations dedicated to improving student wellness and ensuring all schools are safe, healthy, and engaging spaces with access to well-rounded enriching education programs—demand meaningful Congressional action to prevent future acts of gun violence. We share in the profound grief and anger regarding the school shooting in Uvalde, Texas. These events are far too common and we urge policymakers at all levels to come together to enact meaningful gun safety policies that will prevent these horrific events from happening again.

Since the devastating school shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary School, there have been 948 school shootings and over 3,000 events of mass community violence. In contrast, there have been zero major policies to prevent gun violence enacted at the federal level. Firearms are now the leading cause of death for children in the United States. Yet, despite overwhelming public opinion and repeated calls for action, Congress has shamefully abdicated their responsibility to protect its most vulnerable citizens, our children.

Will this time be different? Act now. Our children’s lives and our country’s future depends on it.

Sincerely,

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American Counseling Association

American Federation of School Administrators

American Library Association

American Psychological Association

American School Counselor Association

City Year Inc.

College Board

Committee for Children

Communities In Schools

Consortium For School Networking

Council of Administrators of Special Education

Educational Theatre Association

Futures Without Violence

International Society for Technology in
Education

Learning Disabilities Association of America

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National Association for College Admission
Counseling

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

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School-Based Health Alliance
SHAPE America - Society of Health and Physical Educators
State Educational Technology Directors Association
Young Audiences Arts for Learning