Dear Secretary McMahon and Director Vought,

On behalf of 600 nonpartisan local, state, and national organizations representing communities, school districts, educators, families, and learners across every state and D.C., we urge you to immediately disburse legally obligated funds to states for the following programs: Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants (Title II-A); 21st Century Community Learning Centers (Title IV-B); Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants (Title IV-A); English Language Acquisition (Title III-A); Migrant Education (Title I-C); and Adult Basic and Literacy Education State Grants (including Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education State Grants). Communities rely on the timely disbursement of these dollars, particularly with school opening in just a few weeks, and the Department of Education's ("USED" or "the Department") failure to allocate them is deeply damaging to our schools, our students, and our educators.

To date, the Department has offered no rationale for these allocation delays, no explanation of what the Department and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) are reviewing, and no date when states can expect to receive these critical funds. As a result, educational institutions are being forced to layoff staff, cancel programs, and terminate contracts that will impact more than 95,000 schools, nearly 55 million K-12 students, and 1.2 million adult learners across the nation. Even if funds are released imminently, damage has already been done.

July 1 disbursements to the states are critical for the institutions that educate and support young people and adult learners across the country—state and local education agencies, school districts, out of school time programs, adult education classes, programs for English Language Learners, professional development programs, mental health services and more. The grants amount to more than \$6.8B in support for these programs, including \$6.2B for K-12 educational entities. The Department of Education's refusal to disburse funds threatens the delivery of critical services and erodes the trust districts and community based organizations place in the federal government.

This has been catastrophic for on-going education programming, including currently operating summer programs that are trying to help keep young people healthy, safe, and learning. And in states across the country, schools are preparing to open their doors for the 2025-2026 school year in the coming weeks but are doing it short hundreds-of-thousands, and in some cases, millions-of-dollars that they expected to have in hand this month.

Withholding these funds sabotages the education and wellbeing of learners in all districts and all states in our country, regardless of their political affiliation or representation. It is on behalf of students, families, and educators that we urge OMB and the Department to immediately release these funds.

Sincerely,

The following 600 national, regional, state, and local organizations:

National and Regional Organizations

AACTE: American Association of Colleges

for Teacher Education

AASA, The School Superintendents

Association

Access Ready Inc

ACTFL

Adult Numeracy Network

Advance CTE

Advocates for Youth

AFL-CIO

AFT, AFL-CIO

After-School All-Stars Afterschool Alliance

Alfred Music

All4Ed

American Academy of Pediatrics

American Association of Teachers of

Japanese

American Association of Teachers of Slavic

and East European Languages

American Atheists

American Federation of School

Administrators

American Federation of State, County and

Municipal Employees (AFSCME)

American Library Association

American Music Therapy Association American Psychological Association

American School Counselor Association

American Speech-Language-Hearing

Association

American String Teachers Association

Americans for the Arts

Asian Americans Advancing Justice | AAJC

Assistive Technology Industry Association

Association for Career and Technical

Education

Association of Educational Service

Agencies (AESA)

Association of Latino Administrators and

Superintendents

Association of School Business Officials

International (ASBO)

Association of Two-way & Dual Language

Education

Autism Society of America

Autistic Women & Nonbinary Network

Book Harvest

Breakthrough Collaborative

Brown's Promise

Camp Fire

CASAS-Comprehensive Adult Student

Assessment Systems

CASEL CAST

Center for American Progress

Center for Equity for English Learners

(CEEL), Loyola Marymount

University

Center for Whole Health Learning in K-12

Chiefs for Change Chorus America

Clearinghouse on Women's Issues

CMA Foundation

Coalition for Adult Basic Education

(COABE)

Coalition of Community-Based Heritage

Language Schools

Coalition on Human Needs

Color Of Change

Committee for Children

CommonTime Pathways

Community Change

Community of Teachers

Computer Science Teachers Association

Conn Selmer

Consortium for School Networking - CoSN

Council for Exceptional Children

Council of Administrators of Special

Education

Council of Parent Attorneys and Advocates

Council of State Science Supervisors

Creative Generation Creativity Codex

Cuthbertson Consulting

Data Quality Campaign

Deans for Impact (DFI)

Dearlo for impact (Bi 1)

Drum Corps International

EDGE Partners

EdTrust

EducateUS

Education & Work Programs at New

America

Education Law Center

Educational Theatre Association

Educators for Excellence

edWeb.net

Empowering Pacific Islander Communities

(EPIC) Music Workshop **Equal Justice Society** National Action Network **Every Hour Counts** National Afterschool Association Everylibrary National Art Education Association Feminist Majority Foundation National Association for Bilingual Education Fight Crime: Invest in Kids (NABE) First Gen Empower National Association for College Admission First Quarter Strategies Counseling Food Research & Action Center National Association for Family, School, and Foster Care Alumni of America Community Engagement Fostering Academic Achievement National Association for Gifted Children National Association for Media Arts Nationwide (FAAN) Foundation for a Creative Generation Education Goodwill Industries International National Association for Music Education HELP in Schools LLC National Association of Elementary School **Higher Achievement** Principals Higher Education Consortium for Special National Association of English Learner Education **Program Administrators** Hoopa Tribal Education Association National Association of Music Merchants **Human Intelligence Movement IDRA** National Association of School Nurses **i**Foster National Association of School **Immigrant Connections Psychologists** International Community Justice Association National Association of Secondary School International Literacy Association Principals (NASSP) Internationals Network for Public Schools National Association of Social Workers Joint National Committee for Languages National Board for Professional Teaching **Just Solutions** Standards Kindermusik, Int'l National Center for Learning Disabilities League of American Orchestras National Coalition for Literacy League of United Latin American Citizens National Council for Languages and International Studies (LULAC) Learning Disabilities Association of America National Council for the Social Studies Learning Forward National Council of Teachers of MakeMusic. Inc. Mathematics (NCTM) Manhattan Mothers & Others National Down Syndrome Congress National Education Association MENTOR National Equity Project MIDTESOL Migrant Legal Action Program National Foster Youth Institute Mission: Readiness National Guild for Community Arts MomsRising Education Mountain Plains Adult Education National Guild for Community Arts Association Education Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation National Network for Arab American Music Teacher Guild Communities Music Teachers National Association National Parents Union

National PTA

National Rural Education Association

Music Travel Consultants

Music Will

National School Boards Association National Science Teaching Association National Summer Learning Association (NSLA)

NCOLCTL

New England Association for College Admission Counseling

New Harmony Line OPERA America

Organization of American Kodály Educators Pacific Northwest Association for College Admission Counseling (PNACAC)

Pacific Northwest Council for Languages
Partners for Rural Impact - East Texas

Percussive Arts Society Positive School Solutions

ProLiteracy ProSolve

Public Advocacy for Kids (PAK)

Public Citizen

Research Allies for Lifelong Learning

Respectful Ways

Rock and Soul Forever Foundation

SafeTraces

SchoolHouse Connection

Search Institute

SEL Providers Association

SEPA The Society of Elementary Presidential Awardees

Presidential Awardees Service Employees Internation

Service Employees International Union (SEIU)

SETDA

SHAPE America - Society of Health and Physical Educators

Share Our Strength

Software & Information Industry Association Southeast Asia Resource Action Center (SEARAC)

Southern Conference on Language Teaching

Southwest Conference on Language Teaching

SPAN Parent Advocacy Network (SPAN)

STEM Education Coalition

STEM Next Opportunity Fund

STEMfinity

TEACH.org

Teacher Education Division of the Council

for Exceptional Children

TESOL International Association

The Adult Literacy and Learning Impact
Network

The Advocacy Institute

The American Orff-Schulwerk Association

The Arc of the United States

The Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy

The Center for Learner Equity

The Chuck Lorre Family Foundation

the Forum for Youth Investment

The How Kids Learn Foundation

The Learning Agenda

The National Association of Federally Impacted Schools (NAFIS)

The National Earth Science Teachers
Association

The Principal Center

The TLP Group

UnidosUS

Urban Youth Collaborative

Wrigley Mars

Wyman

Young Audiences, Inc.

Youth Law Center

State and Local Organizations

Alabama

Alabama Association of School Psychologists

Alabama State Association for HPERD

Alaska

Alaska School Psychologists Association Alaska Science Teachers Association

Arizona

Arizona Art Education Association
Arizona Association of School Psychologists
Arizona Dance Education Organization
Arizona Health and Physical Education
Arizona Science Teachers Association
ICAN Positive Program For Youth

Arkansas

Arkansas Music Education Association

Mississippi County Literacy Council, Inc.

California

ABC Unified School District

Aim High

Alliance for a Better Community

Alliance for Children's Rights

Association of California School

Administrators

BHC Monterey County

Breakthrough San Francisco

Building Healthy Communities Kern

CA Thespians

California Association for Asian Pacific

American Education

California Association of IB World Schools

(CAWS)

California Association of Latino

Superintendents and Administrators

(CALSA)

California Association of School

Psychologists

California Association of Science Educators

California County Superintendents

California Educational Theatre Association

California Family Engagement Network

California Music Educators Association

California Partnership for the Future of

Learning

California School Employees Association

California Teachers Association

Californians Together

Camino Nuevo Charter Academy

Cancel the Contract AV

Catalyst California

CATESOL

Children's Defense Fund-California

Children's Law Center of California

Children Now

Concerned Black Men of Los Angeles

East Bay Asian Youth Center

EDMO

EdVoice

El Sol Science and Arts Academy

Empowering Latino Futures

Faith In Action East Bay

Families In Schools

First Congregational Church of Los Angeles

Gente Organizada

GPSN

Greenbank Associates

Heart of Los Angeles

Innovate Public Schools

John Burton Advocates for Youth

LA's BEST

Law Foundation of Silicon Valley

Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce

Los Angeles Unified School District

Mundo Academy

Parent Institute for Quality Education

Parent Organization Network

Partnership for Children & Youth

Partnership for Los Angeles Schools

Plaza Comunitaria Sinaloa

Public Advocates Inc.

PUENTE Learning Center

Sacramento Area Congregations Together

(ACT)

San Diego Unified School District

Santa Barbara City College

San Bernardino County Superintendent of

Schools

SEL4CA

Sobrato Early Academic Language

The Accelerated Schools

The Center for District Innovation and

Leadership in Early Education

The Los Angeles Trust for Children's Health

Tia Chucha's Centro Cultural & Bookstore

UNITE-LA

United Way of Greater Los Angeles

Wallis Annenberg High School

Colorado

Association for Community Living in Boulder

& Broomfield Counties

Colorado Association of Science Teachers

Colorado BOCES Association

Colorado Music Educators Association

Colorado Society of School Psychologists

Colorado Association of School Boards

Colorado Science Conference & PAEMST

Alumni

Connecticut

ARTFARM

Bloomfield Adult Education

Bridgeport Adult Education

Bristol Adult Education Center

Capital Region Education Council (CREC)

Connecticut Association for Adult and

Continuing Education

Connecticut Association of School

Psychologists

Connecticut Music Educators Association

CT Council of Language Teachers (CT COLT)

CT Department of Correction Unified School
District #1

CT State Community College

East Hartford Adult Education

EASTCONN

EdAdvance Adult & Continuing Education

FAMILY CENTERS Inc

Family Centers Inc.

Farmington Continuing Education

Groton Adult Education

Hamden Adult Education

Hartford Public Library

Literacy Volunteers at Family Centers

Literacy Volunteers of Greater Hartford

Manchester Adult & Continuing Education

Mercy Learning Center

Middletown Adult Education

Naugatuck Adult Education

New Britain Adult Education

New London Adult & Continuing Education

Norwich Regional Adult Education

Oddfellows Playhouse Youth Theater

Plainville Adult and Continuing Education

Shoreline Adult Education

The Connecticut Association for Adult &

Continuing Education

Vernon Regional Adult Based Education

Vernon Regional Adult Education

Wallingford Adult Education

Waterbury Adult Continuing Education

West Hartford Adult Education

Western Connecticut Regional Adult and

Continuing Education

Windsor Adult Education

Women and Families Center

Delaware

Delaware Association of School Psychologists

Florida

Community Tampa Bay INC
Families for Strong Public Schools
Florida Association of School Psychologists
Florida Music Education Association
JazzSLAM

Georgia

Foreign Language Association of Georgia (FLAG)

Georgia Association of School

Psychologists

Georgia Music Educators Association

Parent to Parent of Georgia Inc.

Hawaii

Hawai'i Association of School Psychologists Hawai'i Music Educators Association

Idaho

Idaho Music Educators Association
Idaho School Psychologists Association

Illinois

Acero Schools

Arts Alliance Illinois

Chicago Arts Partnerships in Education

Illinois Families for Public Schools

Illinois Science Teaching Association

PEER Illinois

Indiana

Association For College Admission

Counseling

HASTI, Hoosier Association of Science

Teachers, Inc.

Indiana Association for Adult & Continuing

Education

Indiana Association of School Psychologists

Indiana Foreign Language Teachers

Association (IFLTA)

Indiana Music Education Association

INSHAPE

Iowa

Iowa Association of School Psychologists Iowa Educational Theatre Association Iowa Music Educators Association

Kansas

EKAE

Kansas Association of School Psychologists Kansas Music Educators Association Oak Ridge Youth Development School

Kentucky

Kentucky Association for Psychology in Schools

Kentucky Science Teachers Association Kentucky World Language Association

Louisiana

Louisiana Music Educators Association Louisiana Thespians Louisiana Science Teachers Association LSPA

Maine

Maine Adult Education Association
Maine Association of School Psychologists
(MASP)

Maine Music Educators' Association Maine Science Teachers Association Windham Raymond Adult Education York Adult Education

Maryland

Arts Education in Maryland Schools (AEMS) Arts Every Day, Inc.

Frederick Community College
Maryland Art Education Association
Maryland Association of Elementary School
Principals

Maryland Association of Science Teachers
Maryland Music Educators Association
Maryland Out of School Time Network
Maryland Theatre Education Association
South Baltimore Learning Center
Strong Schools Maryland
Maryland School Psychologists' Association

Massachusetts

Breakthrough Greater Boston

Massachusetts Association of School

Committees

Massachusetts Association of Teachers of Speakers of Other Languages (MATSOL)

Massachusetts Music Educators
Association

Massachusetts Organization of Educational Collaboratives

Massachusetts School Administrators' Association

Massachusetts School Psychologists
Association

Michigan

Fostering Success Michigan
Kalamazoo Adult Education
Michigan Association for College
Admissions Counseling
Michigan Association of School
Psychologists
Michigan Education Justice Coalition

Michigan Education Justice Coalition
Michigan Music Education Association
Michigan Science Teachers Association
Michigan World Language Association
Society of Health & Physical EducatorsMichigan

Student Advocacy Center of Michigan Support Forest Hills Public Schools MASP

Minnesota

Academias La Paz
Mankato Area Adult Basic Education
Minnesota Music Educators Association
Minnesota School Psychologists
Association
Minnesota Service Cooperatives
MNSHAPE

Mississippi

Learning Forward Mississippi Mississippi Music Educators Association Mississippi Science Teaching Association One Voice The Parents' Campaign

Missouri

Foreign Language Association of Missouri Missouri Association of Elementary School Principals

Missouri Association of School Psychologists

Missouri Society of Health & Physical Educators

St. Charles Community College

Montana

Montana Association of Elementary and Middle School Principals Montana Music Educators Association The Montana Association of School Psychologists

Nebraska

Completely KIDS

Nebraska Association of Elementary School Principals

Nebraska Association of Teachers of Science

SHAPE Nebraska

NevadaEdTA

Music Education Consultants, Inc.
Nevada Music Education Association
Nevada Thespians
Nevada Association of School
Psychologists

New Hampshire

Breakthrough Manchester at The Derryfield School

Education Alliance for New Hampshire New Hampshire Music Educators Association

New Jersey

Arts Ed NJ

Macie Publishing Company/Ed Sueta Music Publications. Inc.

New Jersey Association of School Psychologists

New Jersey Music Educators Association (NJMEA)

NJ Principals and Supervisors Association

NJSACC: New Jersey's Afterschool and Out-of-School Time Professional Network

Statewide Education Organizing Committee

New Mexico

Breakthrough Santa Fe
EJ Martínez Elementary school
ESL and GED Learning New Mexico
New Mexico Adult Education Association
New Mexico Association of School
Psychologists
Santa Fe Public Schools
SHAPE New Mexico

New York

Advocates for Children of New York
Alliance for Quality Education
Breakthrough New York
Brooklyn Center for Independence of the
Disabled

CAMBA Inc.

Center for Independence of the Disabled, New York (CIDNY)

Center for Instruction, Technology and Innovation (Oswego County BOCES)

Citizens' Committee for Children of New York

Coalition for Asian American Children and Families

Cooke School and Institute

Council of Family & Child Caring Agencies

Counseling In Schools

Dignity in Schools Campaign - New York DREAM

Education Council Consortium

Eugenio Maria de Hostos Charter School

ExpandED Schools

Four Freedoms Democratic Club

Franklin-Essex-Hamilton BOCES

Graham

Literacy New York

Music and the Brain-Building for the Arts

Nassau BOCES

New York Association of School Psychologists (NYASP)

New York Immigration Coalition

New York State Association for Language

Teachers, Inc.

New York State School Boards Association New York State School Music Association (NYSSMA)

NY Thespians

OCM BOCES

Parents Supporting Parents NY

Partnership for After School Education (PASE)

SCO Family of Services

Inter Agency Council of Developmental Disabilities Agencies, Inc.

Little Meadows Early Childhood

The Circle Keepers

The STEM Alliance

YMCA of Greater New York

North Carolina

IB Schools of North Carolina North Carolina Music Educators Association North Carolina Science Leadership Association

North Dakota

North Dakota Association of School Psychologists

Ohio

Enterprise Muskingum
Honesty for Ohio Education
Ohio Music Education Association
Science Education Council of Ohio
Upper Valley Career Center Aspire

Oklahoma

Oklahoma Foreign Language Teachers
Association

Oklahoma Music Educators Association

Oklahomans for the Arts

Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy

Oregon

Oregon Music Education Association
Oregon School Boards Association
Oregon School Psychologist Association
(OSPA)

Oregon Science Teachers Association Oregon Thespians, Educational Theatre

Association Chapter

Pennsylvania

Fab Youth Philly Literacy Pittsburgh

Pennsylvania Association for Adult

Continuing Education

Pennsylvania Music Educators Association The Literacy Council of Lancaster-Lebanon Association of School Psychologists of

Pennsylvania

Rhode Island

Rhode Island Music Education Association Rhode Island Teachers of English Language Learners (RITELL)

RISPA

Breakthrough Providence

South Carolina

South Carolina IB Schools Wings for Kids

South Dakota

South Dakota Association of School
Psychologists
South Dakota Science Teaching Association

Tennessee

Tennessee Biology Teachers Association Tennessee Principals Association

Texas

Andy Roddick Foundation Dallas Afterschool

Hill Country Adventure Therapy Howard College Concho Valley

Informal Science Education Association of Texas

Literacy Texas

NAfME-Texas

Restore Education

Science Teachers Association of Texas

Texas Appleseed

Texas Association of School Psychologists

Texas Elementary Principals & Supervisors

Association

Texas Science Education Leadership

Association

TexTESOL IV

Utah

Adult Education Association of Utak
Utah Association of School Psychologists

Vermont

Vermont Afterschool Vermont Music Educators Association Vermont Principals' Association VMEA District I

Virginia

4 Public Education
Fund Our Schools coalition
GLSEN RVA
Legal Aid Justice Center
New VA Majority
Podium RVA
Progress Virginia
Southside VA Community College- Adult
Education
The Commonwealth Institute for Fiscal

Analysis
Virginia Academy of School Psychologists
Virginia Music Educators Association
Virginia TESOL

Breakthrough @ Norfolk Academy

Washington

Heritage University
South Puget Sound Community College
Washington State Association of School
Psychologists
Washington State Impact Aid Association
(WSIAA)
Yakima Valley Partners for Education

Washington, D.C.

DC Music Education Association
McKinley Technology High School Theatre
Dept.

West Virginia

West Virginia Science Teachers Association West Virginia School Psychologists Association

Wisconsin

America SCORES Milwaukee Back Pocket LLC Boys & Girls Club of Portage County Boys & Girls Club of the Tri-County Area Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Milwaukee Boys & Girls Clubs of the Bay & Lakes Region Goodman Community Center O-S-T Training & Consulting WACAC (Wisconsin Association for College Admission Counseling) Walworth County Literacy Council Wisconsin Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs Wisconsin Music Educators Association Wisconsin School Psychologists Association WITESOL (Wisconsin Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages) Zablocki Boys and Girls Club Community

Wyoming

Learning Center

Wyoming Lifelong Learning Association Wyoming School Psychology Association