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Dear Members of Congress,

As you develop the Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies appropriations bill for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025, we – the undersigned organizations below - write to urge you to protect investments in education and highlight the critical federal formula programs that are the backbone of our nation's educational system.

As the professional organizations representing the nation's public school superintendents, rural educators, education service agencies, and school business officials, who serve as stewards of local education dollars, we are deeply familiar with the pressures you face when allocating limited fiscal resources. This year, we acknowledge the competing demands you have of ensuring spending thresholds honor the bipartisan spending caps, while at the same time holding

Title II, Part A of ESEA: Decades of research has found that low-income and minority students are most likely to have inexperienced teachersⁱ. Title II, Part A closes these gaps by ensuring students have greater access to high-quality, effective educators. Title II, Part A provides necessary resources to grow the skills and expertise of current teachers and provide important induction and mentoring programs for new educators that keep them in the classroom.

Title IV, Part A: Title IV, Part A is a flexible program that supports investments in safe and healthy students, well-rounded education programs, and the effective use of technology in education. The flexibility of the pr 0.4or