

July 17, 2025

Dear Secretary McMahon and Director Vought,

On behalf of more than 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 Civil Liberties Union  
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)  
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)

Equal Justice Society  
Every Hour Counts  
Everylibrary  
Feminist Majority Foundation  
Fight Crime: Invest in Kids  
First Focus Campaign for Children  
First Gen Empower  
First Quarter Strategies  
Food Research & Action Center  
Foster Care Alumni of America  
Fostering Academic Achievement  
    Nationwide (FAAN)  
Foundation for a Creative Generation  
Goodwill Industries International  
HELP in Schools LLC  
Higher Achievement  
Higher Education Consortium for Special  
    Education  
Hoopa Tribal Education Association  
Horizons National  
Human Intelligence Movement  
IDRA  
iFoster  
Immigrant Connections  
International Community Justice Association  
International Literacy Association  
Internationals Network for Public Schools  
Joint National Committee for Languages  
Just Solutions  
Kindermusik, Int'l  
League of American Orchestras  
League of United Latin American Citizens  
    (LULAC)  
Learning Disabilities Association of America  
Learning Forward  
MakeMusic, Inc.  
Manhattan Mothers & Others  
MENTOR  
MIDTESOL  
Migrant Legal Action Program  
Mission: Readiness  
MomsRising  
Mountain Plains Adult Education  
    Association  
Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation  
Music Teacher Guild  
Music Teachers National Association  
Music Travel Consultants

Music Will  
Music Workshop  
National Action Network  
National Afterschool Association  
National Art Education Association  
National Association for Bilingual Education  
    (NABE)  
National Association for College Admission  
    Counseling  
National Association for Family, School, and  
    Community Engagement  
National Association for Gifted Children  
National Association for Media Arts  
    Education  
National Association for Music Education  
National Association of Elementary School  
    Principals  
National Association of English Learner  
    Program Administrators  
National Association of Music Merchants  
    (NAMM)  
National Association of School Nurses  
National Association of School  
    Psychologists  
National Association of Secondary School  
    Principals (NASSP)  
National Association of Social Workers  
National Board for Professional Teaching  
    Standards  
National Center for Learning Disabilities  
National Coalition for Literacy  
National Council for Languages and  
    International Studies  
National Council for the Social Studies  
National Council of Teachers of  
    Mathematics (NCTM)  
National Down Syndrome Congress  
National Education Association  
National Equity Project  
National Foster Youth Institute  
National Guild for Community Arts  
    Education  
National Guild for Community Arts  
    Education  
National Network for Arab American  
    Communities  
National Parents Union  
National PTA

National Rural Education Association  
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  
Social Emotional Learning Alliance for the  
United States (SEL4US)  
SEL Providers Association  
SEPA The Society of Elementary  
Presidential Awardees  
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 Health, Physical  
Education, Recreation and Dance  
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  
Chimayo Press  
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  
Para Los Niños  
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  
Society of Health and Physical Educators of  
Colorado

### **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  
Literacy Volunteers of Greater Waterbury  
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  
Waipahu Community Schools for Adults -  
Hilo!Kona Campus

### **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 for Health, Physical  
Education, Recreation, and Dance  
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 Educational Theatre Association  
Michigan Music Education Association  
Michigan Science Teachers Association  
Michigan World Language Association  
Society of Health & Physical Educators-  
Michigan  
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 Association for Psychology in  
the Schools  
Mississippi Music Educators Association  
Mississippi Science Teaching Association  
One Voice  
The Parents' Campaign

### **Missouri**

Foreign Language Association of Missouri  
Missouri Adult Education and Literacy  
Administrators' Association  
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 Academy of Sciences  
Nebraska Association of Elementary School  
Principals  
Nebraska Association of Teachers of  
Science  
SHAPE Nebraska

### **Nevada**

EdTA  
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 Association for Health,  
Physical Education, Recreation, and  
Dance  
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  
Ohio Assn for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance  
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**

AASD Adult Education Program  
Association of School Psychologists of Pennsylvania  
Fab Youth Philly  
Literacy Pittsburgh  
Pennsylvania Association for Adult Continuing Education  
Pennsylvania Association for College Admission Counseling  
Pennsylvania Music Educators Association  
The Literacy Council of Lancaster-Lebanon

### **Rhode Island**

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

**South Carolina**

South Carolina Association of School  
Psychologists  
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  
Distance Education Professional  
Development Center  
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 Utah  
Nebo Adult Education  
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  
Hamkae Center  
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**

SHAPE WV  
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 Health and Physical Education

Wisconsin Music Educators Association

Wisconsin School Psychologists Association

WITESOL (Wisconsin Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages)

Zablocki Boys and Girls Club Community Learning Center

### **Wyoming**

Wyoming Lifelong Learning Association

Wyoming School Psychology Association