

TITLE IV-A COALITION

DIVERSE NATIONAL COALITION GRATEFUL FOR \$60 MILLION INCREASE IN STUDENT SUPPORT AND ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT GRANT

On behalf of the undersigned members of the Title IV-A Coalition, we offer the following response in reaction to the \$60 million increase in the FY22 Omnibus 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 - March 9, 2022 — *“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 grateful for the \$60 million increase over FY21 for the Student Support and Academic Enrichment block grant program under Title IV-A of ESSA, bringing the total to \$1.28 billion. Over the years, this flexible funding stream has allowed states and districts to invest in a multitude of evidence-based programs that offer the support students need to succeed and thrive academically, emotionally, and socially.*

In these trying times, it is heartening to see Congress commit, in a bipartisan manner, to the well-being of children, our educators, and the education system as a whole by continuing to increase funding for the Title IV-A block grant. It is assuring Congress understands the importance of strong federal investments in these areas, giving districts the flexibility to continue building on their successes, lessons learned, and expand access to critical programs that enrich and support the whole child.

Title IV-A Coalition Members:

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