

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Linda McMahon
Secretary
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20202

Dear Secretary McMahon:

As members of the New Hampshire Congressional Delegation, we write to urge the Department of Education to reverse the termination of the Education Alliance for New Hampshire's Statewide Family Engagement Center grant (S310A220033).

As you know, through the Statewide Family Engagement Centers (SFEC) Program, the Department of Education (ED) funds organizations that provide technical assistance to improve family engagement for student success. Grantees use this funding to establish SFECs that provide targeted training and assistance to state and local education agencies on training caregivers to advocate for their students and building family-school partnerships. This programming helps students across the country have greater support from their families for their academic success.

In New Hampshire, the Education Alliance for New Hampshire operates the SFEC with a grant from the Department awarded in 2022. This program year alone, the center has served more than 1,500 families in improving their capacity to support their children, with a majority of participating families reporting stronger connections with their children's schools.

Unfortunately, ED notified the Education Alliance for NH on September 5 that this grant would be terminated. Without this funding, families and school districts will lose a crucial resource for improving community support for Granite State students at a time when students are experiencing significant challenges with academic outcomes and social and emotional well-being. The Department's grant termination will undermine the grantee's work to improve academic outcomes and the strengthening of family-school relationships especially in the most rural areas of our state, which often have access to fewer resources.

Ensuring our students' caregivers and families are fully engaged in their educational success is key to building sustainable improvement in student success and community strength. In light of these considerations, we urge you to reverse the termination of this grant.

We appreciate your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Jeanne Shaheen
United States Senator



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