TITLE IV-A COALITION

Title IV-A Coalition Grateful for Title IV-A Increase in Senate FY21 Funding Bill

Washington D.C., November 12, 2020 — "The Title IV-A Coalition is pleased with the Senate LHHS-Education Subcommittee allocation proposal of \$1.25 billion for FY21, which if enacted would be an increase of \$40 million over the enacted FY20 level, for the bipartisan Student Support and Academic Enrichment program. In the midst of a pandemic, we are grateful that Senate appropriators recognize the importance of this grant to provide districts with the needed flexibility to continue investing in all three areas that the program supports: safe and healthy students, well-rounded education, and the effective use of technology.

If appropriated at this level, districts will have the ability to continue investing Title IV-A funds for student mental health and social and emotional learning programs and increase access to music, arts, technology and physical education classes. Importantly, Title IV-A funds help support comprehensive school health services which are critical as children get back to school and cope with the ongoing pandemic. And whether learning is happening in a classroom, hybrid, or virtual environment, Title IV-A dollars have been instrumental in providing professional development for educators on the effective use of technology to keep children engaged in learning. All of the Title IV-A programs play a critical role in ensuring a well-rounded education and the necessary wrap-around services to support the whole child, especially during these trying times.

We sincerely thank the subcommittee for its strong allocation for the Title IV-A program and urge the House and Senate to swiftly pass an FY21 spending bill that maintains this increase in funding or fully funds Title IV-A at \$1.6 billion."

Sincerely,

Title IV-A Coalition Members Advance CTE Afterschool Alliance Alliance for Excellent Education American Federation of School Administrators American Heart Association American Library Association American Occupational Therapy Association American Psychological Association American School Counselor Association

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