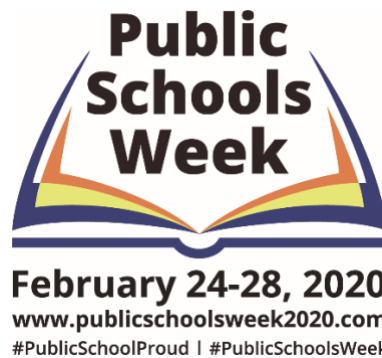


# Support Our Public Schools and Cosponsor the Bipartisan Public Schools Week Resolution



**Deadline to be an original cosponsor: February 14<sup>th</sup> COB**

**2019 Cosponsors (55): Reps. Moore, Gallego, Fitzpatrick, Serrano, Raskin, Gonzalez (TX), Fleischmann, Dean, Holmes Norton, Cisneros, Wexton, Khanna, Velázquez, Wild, Johnson (GA), Soto, Espaillat, Cole, Brady, Bost, Meng, Jackson Lee, Wilson (FL), Sablan, Guest, Joyce (OH), Pallone, Blunt Rochester, Bishop, Pappas, DeFazio, Davis, Titus, Grijalva, DeSaulnier, Plaskett, Loudermilk, Sires, Diaz-Balart, Himes, Horn, Levin (MI), Scott (GA), Cohen, González-Colón, Mast, Dingell, Loeb, Schiff, Bacon, Comer, Hern, Yarmuth, DelBene and Gabbard**

**Outside Organizations Endorsing:** AASA, The School Superintendents Association, American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education, American School Counselors Association, American Federation of Teachers, Americans United for Separation of Church and State, Association of Educational Service Agencies, Association of School Business Officials International, Baptist Joint Committee for Religious Liberty, Center for American Progress, Coalition for Community Schools, Council of Administrators of Special Education, Institute for Educational Leadership, Healthy Schools Campaign, Learning Disabilities Association of America, Learning Forward, National Association for College Admission Counseling, National Association of Elementary School Principals, National Association of Secondary School Principals, National Association of School Psychologists, National Association of State Directors of Special Education, National Center for Learning Disabilities, National Council of Teachers of English, National Disability Rights Network (NDRN), National Education Association, National Education Association Retirees Association, National Military Families Association, National Rural Education Association, National School Boards Association, National School Public Relations Association, National PTA, Network for Public Education, School Social Work Association of America, The Arc

Dear Colleague,

February 24-28, 2020 is Public Schools Week, a time to celebrate the achievements our public schools are making and honoring the significant contributions and accomplishments of students, parents, educators and education advocates in our public schools.

We will be introducing a bipartisan resolution for Public Schools Week again, identical to H.Res. 254, that recognizes 9 out of every 10 students attend a public school. Additionally, it calls on

local, state and federal lawmakers to prioritize strengthening the nation's public schools, ensuring every child has the opportunity to attend schools that offer a high-quality educational experience. We know communities are stronger and schools are better when we all work together to support public education and that the success of the future leaders of this great country critically depends on the support we give today to public education.

During Public Schools Week, national education groups representing teachers, principals, superintendents, parents, civil rights and disability advocates, as well as religious organizations will be highlighting the importance of our public schools and the positive difference they are making in shaping the future of our country. Public schools are open to every child—regardless of ability, wealth, country of origin, or needs and by strengthening the public school system we strengthen our country.

We ask that you join us in co-sponsoring this resolution and celebrating Public Schools Week. You can learn more about Public Schools Week by going to [www.publicschoolsweek2019.org](http://www.publicschoolsweek2019.org)

If you have any questions or if you'd like to add your boss as a cosponsor please contact [Leslie.Zelenko@mail.house.gov](mailto:Leslie.Zelenko@mail.house.gov) in Rep. Pocan's office or [Leslie.Parker@mail.house.gov](mailto:Leslie.Parker@mail.house.gov) in Rep. Graves' office. Deadline to add your boss as an original cosponsor is **February 14<sup>th</sup> COB.**

Sincerely,

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