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Senator Charles Schumer 322 Hart Senate Building Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Schumer:

Cuts to school budgets disproportionately impact our most vulnerable population — children. We urge our elected officials to act quickly on aid packages that effectively fund state and public education and avert cuts. Without this aid, shrinking revenues and Covid-related costs will significantly damage school budgets. The loss in resources for students will mean an incalculable loss of opportunity that impacts them for years to come. Please act to minimize the damage to our education system and the detriment to children.

We cite this comment: "This is a potentially devastating development at the exact time when schools need more resources, certainly not less, in order to implement safe reopening strategies." --Robert Schneider, executive director, New York State School Boards Association.

Sincerely,

Meredith Heuer

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President, Board of Education