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The Honorable Betsy DeVos
Secretary
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20202

Dear Secretary DeVos:

I write to invite you to appear before the House Committee on Education and Labor following the release of the President's Fiscal Year 2021 budget request. Specifically, I invite you to appear either Tuesday, March 24th or Wednesday, April 1st, per the Committee staff's conversation with the Office of Legislative and Congressional Affairs.

This is an opportunity for Committee Members to engage directly with you concerning specific policies and proposed funding levels included in the President's annual budget request pertaining to the Department of Education and is a necessary component of the Committee's oversight responsibilities under Rule X of the House Rules for the 116th Congress.

In arranging your appearance before the Committee, please reserve sufficient time in order for each Committee Member to have the opportunity to engage in five minutes of questioning, as provided in Rule XI of the House Rules. As a practical matter, this may require a commitment of up to four hours in order to accommodate opening statements, testimony, and Member questions.

I look forward to your acceptance of this invitation and ask that you kindly work with Committee staff to confirm the date, time and length of your availability. To follow up, please contact Tylease Alli, Chief Clerk, at 202-225-3725 or Tylease.Alli@mail.house.gov. Thank you in advance for your agreement to appear before the Committee.

Sincerely,

ROBERT C. "BOBBY" SCOTT
Chairman

cc: The Honorable Virginia Foxx, Ranking Member