

# NEA Federal and State Legislative Update

*A weekly review of progress on the Quality Public Schools Agenda and other legislation that impacts our students, classrooms and public education.*

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## Calling All Cyber Lobbyists!

How Connected Are We? Do you have a personal connection with any member(s) of the U.S. House of Representatives or U.S. Senate? NEA wants to know.

NEA has an ambitious agenda for legislation to support children and public education, and there are no better advocates for this agenda than real-life educators with hands-on experience working in schools across the country. Effective lobbying relies on personal relationships with policy makers, not only with NEA's Washington, D.C. lobbyists, but especially with NEA members who can share personal experiences with Members of Congress.

## Act Now

If you have a personal connection with any Members of Congress, e-mail NEA at [edinsider@nea.org](mailto:edinsider@nea.org). For example:

- Are you personally acquainted with any Member of Congress?
- Did you grow up with or go to school with any Member of Congress?
- Did you teach a Member of Congress when he/she was in school?
- Did you work on a Member of Congress' campaign?
- Are you on his/her speed dial?

Please be sure to provide:

- Member of Congress' name and state;
- Your name and contact information; and
- Brief description of how you are acquainted.

**Together, we can work with Congress to fulfill every child's right to a great public school.**

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