



September 9, 2019

The Honorable Adriano Espaillat
1630 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Ed Markey
255 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Representative Espaillat and Senator Markey:

On behalf of the undersigned members of the College in High School Alliance, we write today in support of the Jumpstart on College Act.

Investment in college in high school programs such as dual enrollment, concurrent enrollment, and early college high school will significantly advance college access, affordability, and completion for all students, particularly students from low-income, traditionally underserved backgrounds and first-generation college students.

The Jumpstart on College Act, which includes \$250 million in grant funding to support college in high school programs, is an important step forward in providing support to states and institutions of higher education to create postsecondary pathways that begin during high school. Importantly, the legislation brings all relevant sectors, including higher education, K-12, and employers to the table.

Support for college in high school programs in the Higher Education Act will improve college affordability, accessibility, and completion. We look forward to working together to ensure college and high school programs reap the widest benefit for all students. Thank you for your ongoing support and consideration.

Sincerely,

Achieving the Dream
ACT, Inc.
Advance CTE
Alliance for Excellent Education
America's Promise Alliance
America Forward
American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO)
American Association of Community Colleges
Augustus F. Hawkins Foundation
Baker College, MI
Bard College
California Association of Black School Educators (CABSE)
Capital Region Board of Cooperative Education Services, NY
Career Ladders Project
Center of Excellence in Leadership and Learning – University of Indianapolis, IN

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Jobs for the Future (JFF)
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Michigan Association for Computer Users in Learning (MACUL), MI
Michigan Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships (MiCEP), MI
Middle College National Consortium
National Alliance for Partnerships in Equity (NAPE)
National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships (NACEP)
National Association of College Admission Counseling (NACAC)
National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP)
National Council for Community and Education Partnerships (NCCEP)
National Writing Project
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