

September 16, 2019

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House
U.S. House of Representatives
Room H-305, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kevin McCarthy
Minority Leader
U.S. House of Representatives
Room H-204, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Mitch McConnell
Majority Leader
United States Senate
Room S-230, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Chuck Schumer
Minority Leader
United States Senate
Room S-221, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Speaker Pelosi, Leader McCarthy, Leader McConnell, and Leader Schumer:

As students return to campus for a new academic year, our institutions are keenly aware of the two-year anniversary of the rescission of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) policy. We believe it is long overdue for Congress to pass bipartisan legislation, in both the House and Senate, to provide permanent protection for Dreamers—young, undocumented, high-achieving individuals brought to our country as children.

We understand the Supreme Court will soon be considering DACA. But, regardless of the Court's decision, legislative action will remain necessary. The issue should be solved on a permanent basis by Congress. We respectfully urge you to come together on a bipartisan basis to address this challenge by doing the right thing for these outstanding young people and for our country.

It is not just our students who support protections and certainty for Dreamers. Across the country, your constituents support acting to protect these individuals. Poll after poll confirms Americans overwhelmingly support legislation that would provide relief to Dreamers with a path forward in the only country they have ever really known. A February 2018 [CNN poll](#) found that over 80 percent of Americans, across all partisan affiliations, overwhelmingly support Congress protecting Dreamers. This was reinforced by a national [Pew Research Center survey](#) last summer that found that nearly three-quarters of Americans favor granting permanent legal status to Dreamers.

We have seen these remarkable people up close on our campuses as our students, colleagues and friends. They are educated and grew up with American values and traditions, making them American in every way except immigration status. They work and pay taxes. They serve in the military and teach in our schools. And tens of thousands of Dreamers have earned or are striving to earn a college degree in institutions across the country. They consider the United

States to be their only home. Despite the challenges they face, they have made incredible contributions to our country and its economy and security. If we are unable to provide opportunities for these individuals to fully contribute to our nation, we will be shutting the door to an entire generation of individuals who seek to contribute their best to America.

We are eager to work with Congress in a bipartisan manner to address this issue as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

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Many higher education organizations assisted in compiling this letter. The effort was coordinated by ACE and other major higher education associations representing a broad range of institutions and groups at U.S. colleges and universities.

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