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a National Association of State Title I Directors

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Dear Ms. Anthony,

The National Title I Association has as its overall mission to enable disadvantaged children and youth to meet or exceed high academic state standards by helping to build the capacity of state and local educators to more effectively implement Title I programs in each of their states. The Association is in strong support of strengthening the U.S. Department of Education's (ED) evaluation processes that will lead to improved outcomes for all students. Our Association's alignment with ED's efforts is evident in one of our current priority areas, which is identifying and sharing effective Title I programs with its membership, local education agencies, lawmakers, and the general public. Likewise, within our strategic plan, Goal 2 is: To advance evidence-based education practices in the effective service, and ultimate success, of disadvantaged children and youth.

The National Title I Association looks forward to partnering with ED as it seeks to identify new and more effective ways to evaluate Title I programs. This is work that the Association has already identified as an area of focus and commitment.

Sincerely,

Margaret MacKinnon  
President