

Education in NY-22

investing in our students from pre-K to career

Legislation

Science of Reading Act

BIPARTISAN **PASSED THE HOUSE** **CO-LEAD**

Co-led the bipartisan Science of Reading Act, a bill to ensure state literacy grants are aligned with evidence-based teaching methods to improve reading proficiency.

Protecting Department of Education Offices

BIPARTISAN **PASSED THE SENATE**

Introduced a bipartisan bill to prohibit the transfer offices and programs within of the Department of Education to other Federal agencies. These include special education, elementary and secondary education, postsecondary education, and Indian education.

Co-led a Congressional Review Act (CRA) **resolution to reverse the Department of Education's rule that needlessly restricted the definition of professional degrees.**

Whole Milk for Healthy Kids Act

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Cosponsored the bipartisan Whole Milk for Healthy Kids Act, a bill that expands milk choices in schools while also supporting NY-22 dairy farms.

Restarting Education After Disasters Act

Introduced the Restarting Education After Disasters Act, a bill to strengthen federal support for schools impacted by natural disasters and severe weather. This legislation was inspired by the experience of Oneida High School which was forced to close for months due to severe flooding.

Protecting Students with Disabilities Act,

Introduced the Protecting Students with Disabilities Act, which would prohibit the Trump Administration from unilaterally weakening critical protections for students with disabilities.

Department of Education Protection Act

Cosponsored the Department of Education Protection Act, which would prohibit any dismantling or restructuring of the Department of Education.

Elementary and Secondary School Counseling Act

Introduced the Elementary and Secondary School Counseling Act to help states and local educational agencies increase access to school-based mental health services providers in high-need schools.

Enhancing Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Through Campus Planning Act

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Introduced the bipartisan, bicameral Enhancing Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Through Campus Planning Act, which would encourage colleges and universities to develop evidence-based comprehensive campus mental health and suicide prevention plans.

Early Childhood Workforce Advancement Act

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Co-led the bipartisan Early Childhood Workforce Advancement Act, a bill aimed at addressing child care workforce shortages. This bill would invest in career and technical education programs focused on early childhood education.

Teachers Are Leaders Act

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Introduced the bipartisan Teachers Are Leaders Act, a bill that supports teachers with professional development in coaching, community engagement, and curriculum design.

Immersive Technology for the American Workforce Act

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Introduced the bipartisan Immersive Technology for the American Workforce Act, a bipartisan and bicameral bill to strengthen workforce development programs at community colleges and career and technical schools by expanding the use of innovative immersive learning tools.

TRAIN Act

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Co-led the bipartisan TRAIN Act, a bill to expand workforce development and apprenticeship programs at our community colleges.



Legislation, Continued

Rebuild America's Schools Act

Cosponsored the Rebuild America's Schools Act, investing in physical and digital infrastructure to improve our public schools.

Supported increased investments for K-12 and early childhood education including Head Start, special education services, school-based mental health, and other key programs.

Supported access to higher education through funding for Pell Grants, TRIO programs, and research initiatives.

Oversight

Urged Secretary McMahon to reverse the decision to move special education oversight to the Department of Health and Human Services in July 2026.

Called on Secretary McMahon to reverse the Department of Education's plan to eliminate the Office of English Language Acquisition (OELA) in May 2026.

Community Project Funding

FY26 Community Project Funding

- Secured \$1,039,000 for Syracuse University to build a new semiconductor thermal noise testbed.
- Secured \$1,031,000 for Onondaga Community College's applied technology programs to improve career training.

FY27 Community Project Funding Requests

- Requested \$500,000 for Workforce Training Equipment Acquisition at Onondaga Community College.
- Requested \$772,700 to purchase quantum research equipment at Syracuse University.
- Requested \$694,800 to purchase equipment, technology, and personnel to support manufacturing workforce training at LeMoyne College.

Misc.

Questioned the Department of Education Linda McMahon about her proposed cuts to critical programs that support students from low-income families and high-poverty schools.

Helped Oneida High School secure critical funding through USDA to reopen following severe flooding.

Supported middle and high school students from NY-22 participating in the Congressional Art Competition and Congressional App Challenge.

