

Given your interest in education policy, I wanted to follow up on my [previous e-update](#) to inform you that the Opportunity Scholarship Program in our nation's capital was reauthorized as a part of the recent budget agreement that became law. I am pleased that D.C. students will once again receive scholarships for a better education. Allowing these lower-income students to attend the school of their parents' choice actually costs the federal government less per student than enrolling them in failing schools in their neighborhoods while also increasing the quality of their education. Please know that I will continue to monitor the program's impact as it assists additional students.