

State University Education Deans

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Dear President Obach:

The purpose of this letter is to applaud the efforts of the Ohio Association of Private Colleges of Teacher Education (OAPCTE), under your leadership, for their courage and positive stand on the issues that are important to the education profession. Public and private universities play a vital and important role in the preparation of education professionals.

As the Chair of the State University Education Deans (SUED), I want to reaffirm our joint commitment to accountability and quality in departments of education in public and private institutions of higher learning in this state.

Our collaborative efforts with OAPCTE and with the Ohio Board of Regents have been instrumental in creating standards for measuring accountability in teacher education programs. By joining forces earlier this year, we submitted a proposal to the Ohio Board of Regents in support of the ad-hoc committee on accreditation.

I am excited to see the results of our combined advocacy efforts and I look forward to continued progress in the future. As leaders in higher education, in both the public and private sector, OAPCTE and SUED have a unique opportunity and shared responsibility to develop policies that will positively impact the development of educational professionals across the state of Ohio.

Sincerely,



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Chair

cc: SUED Members
Tom Bordenkircher, Associate Vice Chancellor, OBR