The Alliance to Reclaim Our Schools and the #WeChoose Campaign are calling for new investment in public schools serving Black, Brown and low-income students. Reversing manufactured austerity begins at the federal level. These are some steps we support:

- **Full Funding for Title I and IDEA, Which Target Under-Served Students.** Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) include embedded authorization levels. No Congress—since the enactment of these laws, has fully funded them. Full funding of Title I and IDEA in 2017, for example, would have provided over $54 billion in additional resources for our most vulnerable students. Rescinding just a portion of the tax cuts handed to the wealthiest Americans through the 2017 tax law would allow the full funding of these critical programs.

- **Investment in Sustainable Community Schools.** Sustainable Community Schools serve students through academic opportunities, wraparound services and restorative and supportive school climates. They are public schools, governed by boards that are accountable to the communities they serve. The federal government should help fund, and should incentivize states and districts to establish 25,000 Sustainable Community Schools by 2025, targeted first at schools serving Black, Brown and low-income children.

- **A Moratorium on Funding for New Charter Schools and Vouchers.** Charter schools and voucher programs strip critical resources from traditional public schools while feeding an industry bent on the destruction of public education. Each year, the Department of Education’s Charter Schools Program doles out $500 million for the creation of new or expanded charter schools without guarantees of quality, and without accountability to the communities in which these schools operate.

- **Policies that Make Wealthy Individuals and Corporations Pay Their Fair Share.** The United States is the wealthiest nation in the world. When the wealthy and corporations pay their fair share, we will be able to fully fund our public schools. There are ample opportunities to close loopholes, raise taxes and encourage investment in our schools.

- **Enforcement of Equity and Full Funding.** The federal government must enforce equity in public schools. Federal funding, and DOE oversight of state and district policies and funding must incentivize robust and targeted investment in schools serving Black, Brown and low-income students.