

## ***Make Education a Priority Statements of Support***

Thank you for all the work you (Aledo ISD Board of Trustees) do and for taking such a vocal role in reminding the Texas Legislature of the role we need to take in making sure our children are receiving a world quality education. As a committee member of the Senate Committee on Education, I hold education issues dear and rank them as some of the most important decisions I have made during my time at the Capitol. I promise to Make Education a Priority.

***The Honorable Wendy R Davis Texas State Senator (District 10)***  
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It is a pleasure to lend my support to the Aledo Independent School District in their resolution to Make Education a Priority. I support the board's efforts in keeping and maintaining the value and importance of education in the state of Texas. As their elected member in the Texas Senate, I invite the local communities to engage in ways to assist the legislature by finding and offering solutions to the current school finance system. I applaud the Aledo ISD Board for its hard work in promoting awareness about educational issues, and I look forward to encouraging their efforts when the Legislature convenes in January.

***The Honorable Craig Estes Texas State Senator (District 30)***  
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I would like to take this opportunity to express my support for Aledo ISD's Board of Trustees *Make Education a Priority* campaign. I look forward to working closely with the board toward finding solutions for the broken school funding system we are faced with here in Texas and encourage other state legislators to get involved as well. I share the belief of the board that we must keep education a priority as a state in order to properly arm our children with the tools they need to keep Texas the great state that it is.

***The Honorable Phil King Texas State Representative (District 61)***  
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I am happy to support Denison ISD's resolution to *Make Education a Priority*. As a state legislator, I applaud our local community in joining with those across the state in challenging the legislature to critically evaluate the current school finance system. I look forward to working with other legislators during the upcoming session to find a better, lasting ways to make education a priority in Texas.

***The Honorable Larry Phillips Texas State Representative (District 62)***  
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The Texas Association of School Administrators (TASA) supports and applauds Aledo ISD's initiative to encourage the Texas Legislature to make school funding a priority next session. This initiative compliments TASA's grassroots 2011 Initiative. TASA is a statewide professional organization representing superintendents and other education leaders whose mission is to promote, provide, and develop leadership that champions educational excellence.

***Johnny L. Veselka Executive Director of Texas Association of School Administrators (TASA)***  
www.tasanet.org and TASA Grassroots 2011

We commend the Aledo ISD Board for its efforts in raising awareness about issues affecting school districts across the state. Their leadership has reminded us all that, even in the face of an unprecedented state budget deficit, we must make education our top priority. The TASB organization supports the *Make Education a Priority* letter campaign and looks forward to working with Aledo ISD to broaden the campaign's reach.

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When we looked into the *Make Education a Priority* letter campaign initiative, we immediately saw the potential. The Equity Center Organization extends our podcast/website resource to make sure every superintendent and school board trustee is aware of the campaign's objectives and resolution. We believe in this important initiative. This can be very powerful when supported by our school districts. Let's make education a priority.

***Dr. Wayne Pierce Executive Director of the Equity Center Organization***

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I applaud the leadership from the Aledo ISD school board dedicated to making education a priority. "Make Education a Priority" is an Aledo ISD Board of Trustee adopted campaign, a grassroots effort that is growing into a statewide initiative.

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