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September 29, 2021

Ms. Charlene Russell-Tucker
Commissioner, Connecticut Department of Education
450 Columbus Blvd.
Hartford, CT 06103

Secretary Melissa McCaw
Office of Policy and Management
450 Capitol Avenue
Hartford, CT 06106

Dear Commissioner Russell-Tucker and Secretary McCaw:

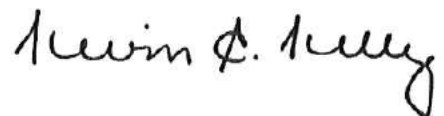
We write to you regarding [recent reports](#) of poor air quality in our state's public schools and its deleterious effect on the health of students and educators.

We are aware that the 1,200 public schools across the state were surveyed earlier this year to assess this matter. We ask that you please provide our office with these survey results as well as a timeline on when the final report on this matter will be complete.

This is a time when knowledge of the air-quality and ventilation in our public buildings—especially schools—is at a premium while we continue to rebound from a statewide pandemic borne from an airborne virus. We greatly value the safety of our students, educators and staff as we return to in-person learning and continue the positive development of thousands of young minds across the state.

Thank you for your attention to our request for information. Please keep us apprised of any updates as they become available.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Kevin Kelly in black ink.

Kevin Kelly
Senate Minority Leader

Handwritten signature of Eric Berthel in black ink.

Eric Berthel,
Ranking Member Education Committee