

# Student Aid Alliance



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United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

## Re: Vote No on McCain Amendment

Dear Senator:

We write on behalf of organizations representing millions of students and families and thousands of American higher education institutions to express our strong opposition to the amendment offered by Sen. McCain to the omnibus appropriations bill currently being considered on the Senate floor.

The appropriations included in this bill make modest, but important, contributions to student aid programs that are critical to ensuring student access to postsecondary education and job skills training. The increases in the omnibus to the Pell Grant, TRIO, GEAR UP and Perkins Loan programs, among others, address years of reduced or level funding in many of these programs.

We strongly urge you to support critical investments in student aid and education, and ask you to vote against the McCain amendment.

Sincerely,

Molly Corbett Broad  
Co-Chairperson

David Warren  
Co-Chairperson

