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Senate Education Committee
House Education Committee
Rhode Island State House
82 Smith St
Providence, RI 02903



Dear Chair and Members of the Committee:

We write to express our strong support for pending bills S-2208 and H-7271.

UCAP provides students in the Providence School System essential instruction in basic skills: reading, writing, mathematics, and more. Working with cohorts of equally unprepared students UCAP teaches these students respect for education and for one another. In turn this raises self-esteem and points the students in proper directions for their future. The positive return UCAP provides to the students and consequently to the Providence community is enormous.

We urge you to support S-2208 and H-7271. These are important pieces of legislation.

Yours sincerely,

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