

# NATIONAL CALL CONGRESS DAY

## Thursday, June 25



**Defend IDEA: Keep Special Education Where It Belongs!**

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Call U.S. Capitol:  
202-224-3121

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Ask to speak with  
your Representative  
& Senators

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Tell lawmakers to  
**OPPOSE** moving special  
education or civil rights  
to other departments

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## SAMPLE CALL SCRIPT:

Hello, my name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I live in \_\_\_\_\_ (city and state).

I am a (person with a disability, family member, educator, service provider, advocate, or concerned community member) and I am calling to ask my member of Congress to oppose any effort to move special education programs and disability rights oversight out of the U.S. Department of Education.

Students with disabilities deserve clear protections, strong accountability, and timely access to the services and supports they need to succeed in school. Moving the offices that oversee special education and civil rights into different federal agencies will create confusion for families, make it harder to resolve problems, and could delay critical services for students.

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, or IDEA, is an education law. Students with disabilities are students first, and **special education belongs in the Department of Education.**

I urge my Congressional Member to publicly oppose these changes and call on the Administration to keep special education and disability rights protections within the U.S. Department of Education.

Thank you for your time and for listening to my concerns.