

APHA Center for School, Health and Education



Dear APHA Supporter,

Hispanic Heritage Month (Sept. 15-Oct. 15) celebrates the “histories, cultures and contributions” of Hispanic and Latino Americans. While we celebrate and honor the likes of Jean-Michael Basquiat, Lin Manuel Miranda, Ellen Ochoa, former U.S. Housing Secretary Julian Castro and Supreme Court Justice Sonya Sotomayor, we must also support the next generation of Hispanic and Latino Americans.

As K-12 students went back to school this year, [many took with them anxiety](#) for their friends and family members facing possible deportation. That anxiety and potential loss of social and familial support can be detrimental to students’ well-being and educational success. It can manifest in tardiness to school, absenteeism, difficulty concentrating, and fights, all of which derail educational success. To keep these students on track to achieve greatness, we must support them.

APHA’s Center for School, Health and Education has developed practical guidance to do help you do just that. We invite you to use [Public Health Prevention in Schools: A Resource Guide](#) and the additional resources included to help school, health and community partners create supportive environments for these vulnerable students.

We hope you will share these resources with colleagues, friends and family, as we all can play a role in promoting equity in our local communities and supporting the next generation of Hispanic and Latino Americans.

Thank you,



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Support funding to improve and protect the public’s health, including Hispanic and Latino communities!

Additional Resources

Los Angeles Unified School District’s [Education & Immigration Resource Guides](#)

National Association of School Psychologists’ tips for Supporting Marginalized Students in Stressful Times for

- [Educators](#)
- [Parents](#)