



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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Dr. Russell Jones
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Dear Dr. Jones:

It is my pleasure to inform you that you have been nominated by Secretary Margaret Spellings to serve on the **Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Advisory Committee at the U.S. Department of Education**. The Committee will provide advice to the Secretary on federal, state and local programs designed to create safe and drug-free schools, and on issues related to crisis planning.

The charter of the Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Advisory Committee is enclosed to help you become familiar with the work of the board. Please note the Confidential Financial Disclosure Report and the nominee's data verification form, which you must complete and return to me as soon as possible, preferably by May 15, 2006.

We appreciate your willingness to serve on this important advisory committee and your help in building a better future for America.

Please feel free to call (202) 260-8308 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Jana C. Toner
White House Liaison

Enclosures