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Statement by Governor Murphy on President Trump's Executive Order to Dismantle the U.S. Department of Education

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"President Trump's directive to dismantle the U.S. Department of Education is unconscionable and unconstitutional. This Executive Order will have disastrous ramifications — especially for our nation's students.

"New Jersey receives approximately \$1.2 billion in federal funding from the U.S. Department of Education, the vast majority of which supports low-income students and students with disabilities. By signing this Executive Order, the Trump Administration is endangering vital resources for K-12 students and risking increased costs for those pursuing higher education.

"Simply put, the Trump Administration is going out of its way to create chaos and raise costs for our nation's families. I urge New Jersey's Congressional delegation to protect federal funding and preserve the legally prescribed functions of the U.S. Department of Education. My Administration will take every possible step we can to support their efforts."

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