

# The Coalition for PUBLICSCHOOLS

## Announcement from the Coalition for Public Schools

Taxpayer-funded private school vouchers have failed in Texas because they're bad policy and bad politics. The state of play is no different today than it was during the regular session when a bipartisan coalition stopped multiple attempts to force vouchers through the legislative process. Our coalition is in agreement—no bargain on any form of vouchers is worth diverting Texans' hard-earned tax dollars to unaccountable private schools and risking the damage to our public schools, which are the foundation of our Texas workforce.

There are critical investments that must be made in Texas public schools. Legislative leaders and Gov. Abbott must not hold critical funding for our students' neighborhood public schools and their teachers hostage in an effort to pass a voucher scheme that will defund those schools down the road.

**Our message is clear: do not use teachers and public schools as an excuse to bargain on vouchers.**

Signed,



