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Hello,

I am a general education teacher. I teach high school biology and chemistry. I work closely with Special Education students and their case managers. One of the single largest problem I see in school this year is the lack of support for these students and teachers. We need more funding to provide wrap around services for these most vulnerable children. Our special education team is spread so thin, it's impossible to help all those that need it. I fear we are failing this population of students. There just isn't enough of us caring adults to meet all of the current needs. Since the pandemic we have an incredible increase of mental health issues as well. We need more help. Without funding we can't hire the staff needed to meet these critical needs.

Thank You.

Sincerely,
Beth Biagini