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Dear Attorney General Becerra:

I am concerned about fall classes. The administration's actions around COVID appear intended to kill as many as possible. The dangers have been downplayed, experts undercut and any hint of leadership quashed. CDC guidelines were watered down, preparation was left to states and equipment doled out as political favors and now there are moves to force in person classes amid increasing infections. One such move builds on the ludicrous attempts (as happened with AIDS) to reduce visits from places which have suppressed the disease: ICE has suddenly changed rules just as Fall plans are being finalized forcing foreign students to have in person classes or face expulsion. An immediate suspension of this rule could well save lives.

Thank you for your quick court challenge of the new ICE foreign student rule.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our world centers of education.

Sincerely, Eric Babson