

Senate Must Demand Answers From Supreme Court Nominee

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The Senate needs to perform its duty diligently and thoroughly vet President Trump’s nominee for the Supreme Court: Judge Neil Gorsuch from the United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit.

- ▶ The choice of the next justice matters to educators because nearly every issue that impacts **students and educators** finds its way to the Supreme Court—e.g., protecting students’ rights, public education funding, and educators’ ability to negotiate collectively for wages and benefits.
- ▶ The next justice, who could cast the deciding vote on fundamental issues that impact our nation for decades to come, should be fair, impartial, and hold views that are **not outside the mainstream**.
- ▶ An **independent** Supreme Court is a vital check on abuses of executive power—now more than ever.
- ▶ Educators have significant concerns about President Trump’s judgment in choosing a nominee, which is why the Senate must thoroughly vet Judge Gorsuch’s **views, judicial temperament, and record**.
- ▶ Educators have **concerns about Judge Gorsuch’s record**—for example, he has repeatedly **ruled against students with disabilities who seek public education**, consistently **sided with big business at the expense of working people**, and embraced and promoted extreme views that could **put workers’ rights in danger on issues like employment discrimination, worker safety, and wages**.
- ▶ To ensure the Supreme Court protects all of us, the Senate must **demand answers** from Judge Gorsuch on the issues that are crucial to all in our nation.
- ▶ **NEA has grave concerns about Judge Gorsuch and will oppose his nomination unless those concerns are satisfactorily addressed.**