You're Invited Tuesday, April 28th, 11AM EDT: At this month's GCE-US coalition meeting, Yasmine Sherif and Madge Thomas of Education Cannot Wait will join us for a civil society conversation on education and COVID-19 response. Please RSVP by Friday, April 24th: https://forms.gle/XwggR61kyP6RjEjs6
Did you hear about #GivingTuesdayNow?

#GivingTuesdayNow is a new global day of giving and unity on Tuesday, May 5th — an emergency response to the unprecedented need caused by COVID-19. Show your support! For #GivingTuesday and every day, you can empower youth to use their voices to make quality education available for every child. Please donate $5, $15, $25, $50 or more today, and your contribution will be matched for even greater impact!

Take Action

Help Children with Disabilities Get a Good Start in Life
Help Global Citizen, Light for the World, and GCE-US call on world leaders to support disability inclusive early childhood development. As COVID-19 impacts schools and learning everywhere, we must ensure that students are receiving the resources they need, right from the start. Over 27,000 people have signed; please help us reach at least 30,000. Please sign the petition [here](https://mailchi.mp/gce-us/april203) & share it with your networks!

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**On the Hill**

Thank you to all who signed on to the [community global education letter](https://mailchi.mp/gce-us/april20) urging the U.S. State, Foreign Operations and Related Programs Appropriations Subcommittee to fully support the International Basic Education account for the Fiscal Year 2021. [Add your voice](https://mailchi.mp/gce-us/april20)!

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**What's Happening at GCE-US?**
We are thrilled to welcome **Tom Sabella** to the GCE-US team!
More information including his bio can be found [here](https://mailchi.mp/gce-us/april204/).

**Highlight:** Huge win in support of public, inclusive education for all! The World Bank International Finance Corporation has declared a freeze on investments in private for-profit primary & secondary education, thanks to everyone’s advocacy. Read more about this win with GCE-US coalition member [Oxfam International](https://mailchi.mp/gce-us/april204/) here.
On April 2nd, GCE-US coalition member Jesuit Refugee Service/USA held its annual advocacy day with over 100 advocates participating virtually by sending emails and placing phone calls to their representatives and senators. Learn more about this refugee education advocacy here.

Reading List & Latest Resources

- Civil Society has a crucial role to play in the response to the coronavirus pandemic by Sarah Beardmore, Global Partnership for Education, and Michael Gibbons, Wellspring Philanthropic Fund
- Gender Roles on Girl's Education in India & the COVID-19 Outbreak by Shruti Nallappa of GCE-US
- Children's story book released to help children and young people cope with COVID-19

Would you like to write a GCE-US action blog? Please send us your ideas at: info@gce-us.org

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