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- “Dr. Miguel A. Cardona was sworn in as the 12th Secretary of Education on March 2nd, 2021.” (U.S. Department of Education, “[Dr. Miguel Cardona, Secretary of Education – Biography](#),” accessed 8/29/22)
 - Cardona was nominated by Biden. “Cardona was nominated by President Joe Biden in December, calling him a ‘lifelong champion of public education.’” (Brittany Valentine, “Dr. Miguel Cardona officially confirmed as the second-ever Latino Secretary of Education,” [Al Dia News](#), 3/1/21)
- In January 2022, it was reported that Secretary Cardona had “solicited the much-criticized letter from National School Boards Association that compared protesting parents to domestic terrorists.” “Education Secretary Miguel Cardona solicited the much-criticized letter from the National School Boards Association that compared protesting parents to domestic terrorists, according to an email exchange reviewed by Fox News.” (Peter Hasson, “Education Secretary Cardona solicited NSBA letter comparing protesting parents to domestic terrorists: email,” [Fox News](#), 1/11/22)
 - “Cardona previously served as Connecticut’s education secretary, where supported teachers ‘becoming more ‘woke’ and promoted resources on ‘microaggressions.’” (Peter Hasson, “Education Secretary Cardona solicited NSBA letter comparing protesting parents to domestic terrorists: email,” [Fox News](#), 1/11/22)
- The letter was written “from a request by Secretary Cardona.” In the Oct. 5 email, NSBA Secretary-Treasurer Kristi Swett recounted that NSBA interim CEO Chip Slaven “told the

officers he was writing a letter to provide information to the White House, from a request by Secretary Cardona." (Peter Hasson, "Education Secretary Cardona solicited NSBA letter comparing protesting parents to domestic terrorists: email," [Fox News](#), 1/11/22)

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- **Secretary Miguel Cardona refused to say "that parents are the 'primary' stakeholders in their children's education.** "U.S. Secretary of Education Miguel Cardona refused to say at a congressional hearing that parents are the "primary" stakeholders in their children's education. Near the end of his Sept. 30 hearing before the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, Cardona was asked by Sen. Mike Braun (R-Ind.) about what he thinks of parents who want to be more involved in the education of their children after the first school year amid the pandemic. 'Do you think parents should be in charge of their child's education as the primary stakeholder?' Braun asked. 'I believe parents are important stakeholders,' Cardona replied. 'But I also believe educators have a role in determining educational programming.'" (Bill Pan, "Education Secretary Miguel Cardona Won't Say Parents Are 'Primary' Stakeholders in Children's Education," [The Epoch Times](#), 10/1/21)

The Biden Administration appointed Viola Garcia, who signed the letter addressing "hostilities toward school boards as possible acts of 'domestic terrorism," to a federal board that oversees student progress:

- **"The Department of Education appointed the president of the National School Boards Association (NSBA) to a federal board overseeing student progress, despite a controversial letter the organization sent urging the Biden administration to investigate opposition to school boards."** (Jon Brown, "Biden admin gives post to National School Boards Association chief to signed 'domestic terrorism' letter," [Fox News](#), 10/25/21)
 - **"Viola Garcia was appointed by Secretary of Education Miguel Cardona of to the National Assessment Governing Board (NAGB), which has oversight over the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)."** (Jon Brown, "Biden admin gives post to National School Boards Association chief to signed 'domestic terrorism' letter," [Fox News](#), 10/25/21)
- **On September 29, 2021, Viola Garcia signed the letter, which "came amid clashes between angry parents and educators," and addressed "hostilities toward school boards as possible acts of 'domestic terrorism.'" "Garcia signed the Sept. 29 letter asking the Biden administration to review threats and violence against education administrators and schools to determine if they violate the Patriot Act and hate crime laws. The letter came amid clashes between angry parents and educators over COVID-19 policies and critical race theory being taught in classrooms. The letter went on to address hostilities toward school boards as possible acts of "domestic terrorism," claiming there had been an increase in "acts of malice, violence and threats against public school officials."** (Jon Brown, "Biden admin gives post to National School Boards Association chief to signed 'domestic terrorism' letter," [Fox News](#), 10/25/21)