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Dear Journalism Educator:

Thank you for your important work educating future journalists and others learning about the media.

This is more important than ever as we recover from the pandemic, work to strengthen democracy and confront historic inequities and other social challenges, all of which require shared knowledge and an informed electorate.

Please consider our new Save the Free Press web site as a resource for you and your students. You can find it at [st.news/SavetheFreePress](https://www.seattletimes.com/news/SavetheFreePress).

The site includes research, commentary and history. It compiles and shares coverage of efforts underway to sustain and restore the press, including coverage by the Save the Free Press public service initiative that The Seattle Times launched in 2019.

The initiative includes the web site, regular columns and the weekly Voices for a Free Press newsletter at <https://www.seattletimes.com/newsletters/voices-for-a-free-press/>, which you may also find useful.

Feedback and suggestions of additional material for the site, newsletter and columns are most welcome. Your best contact is Free Press editor Brier Dudley at [bdudley@seattletimes.com](mailto:bdudley@seattletimes.com).

As you know well, the local journalism crisis is acute and has grave consequences for America. Policy and reform proposals are promising. But the most important thing is educating future generations about the importance of doing, reading and supporting journalism, to continue this essential public service and the civic engagement and accountability it provides.

Thank you again for doing this noble work and we hope our web site is helpful.

Best regards,

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