All schools need adequate and equitable funding to support the needs of children and families.

When PAVE Parent Leaders See Something....

- Schools need more funding and resources to give all of our kids the education they deserve.
- Parents should have access to accurate and clear information about school funding and school budgets.

...PAVE Parent Leaders SAY and DO Something!

- PAVE Parent Leaders attended the Mayor’s Budget Forums and public hearings to advocate for more funding for our schools, especially for our highest need students.
- PAVE Parent Leaders came together to write their own Statements of Beliefs on Transparent Citywide School Funding, calling for uniform school budgets, a standard of best practices on how to meaningfully include parent voice in the budget development process, and an evaluation of our current budgeting processes at all schools to promote excellence and equity.
- PAVE partnered with the Fair Budget Coalition to call out the growing inequities in our city and identify ways we can allocate resources in a fair way that puts the needs of our people first.

"It is important for me, as a parent to be involved in the budget process of the schools where my students attend because, I'd like to have an input on creating an education system that provides an equitable learning experience for families across the city."

- Brittany Wade, Ward 7 PAVE Parent Leader
Because of PAVE Parent Leaders....

- **19 organizations signed** on to PAVE Parent Leaders’ Statement of Beliefs and the #WeBudgetTogether Campaign.
- The DC Public Charter School Board passed a new School Transparency Policy that requires public charter schools to post more information on their websites, including a uniform and comparable budget.
- **Councilmember Grosso** introduced the “School Based Budgeting and Transparency Act of 2019” that requires reporting on at-risk funding, more detailed and comparable school budgets, meetings to inform the public, and citywide budget reporting.
- DC Council proposed a **3% increase to the amount of funding DC provides each student**, and a **0.001 increase in funding for at-risk students**, resulting in a total increase of $11 million for schools.

What’s Next?

- The “School Based Budgeting and Transparency Act” is a good first step, but we still need to make sure that parent voices are heard in the school budget process. Parents can **give feedback** at the public hearing on **Wednesday, June 26th**. Sign up to testify at [bit.do/educationhearings](http://bit.do/educationhearings)
- Even with the proposed funding increases, we are still far from fully funding our education system. In 2019-20, PAVE parents will **continue to advocate** for adequate, equitable resources for all of our schools.

Join us in making change in DC Schools!

- Check out PAVE Parent Leaders PAVE Parent Leaders' Statement of Beliefs and #WeBudgetTogether campaign at [dcpave.org/webudgettogether](http://dcpave.org/webudgettogether)
- Reach out to PAVE’s organizing team at **organizers@dcpave.org** to join 2000+ DC parent leaders and **share your voice**!