



VALUE #2

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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





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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
- 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
- Reach out to PAVE's organizing team at organizers@dcpave.org to join 2000+ DC parent leaders and **share your voice!**