



# VALUE #4

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## When PAVE Parent Leaders See Something....

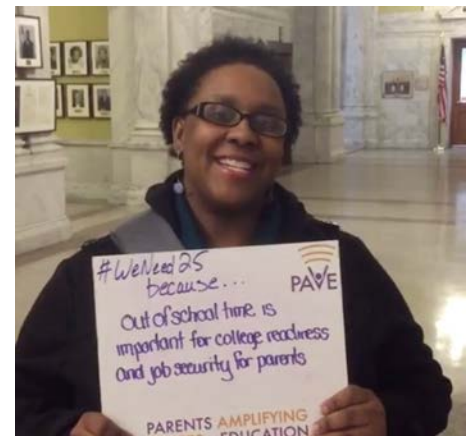
- All families **aren't able to access a diversity of high-quality Out of School Time (OST)** programs before school, after school, and in the summer.

## ...PAVE Parent Leaders SAY and DO Something!

- Together with the **#WeNeed25 coalition**, PAVE Parent Leaders **advocated for \$25 million** in the budget for **OST Programs** to provide access for the students who need it most.
- In partnership with the **Office of the Deputy Mayor of Education (DME)**, PAVE **surveyed over 1,000 families** across the District to **identify parents' wants and needs when looking for OST programs** for their child.
- PAVE served on the **Education Advisory Council for the National Children's Museum** to advocate for programming that is accessible to all of our families.
- PAVE Parents Leaders **advocated for more OST programs** during DC Parent Voice and Choice Week, including for children with special needs.

"We talk about putting our children on a **pathway to success** and we can start here where families don't have to worry about a **safe environment for their children** while they have to work in the evenings or during after school hours or what they will do with their children in the summer time because they still have to work and have **limited resources to pay** for top summer camps."

- **Andrea Tucker, Ward 6 PAVE Parent Leader**





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## Because of PAVE Parent Leaders....

- The advocacy of the **#WeNeed25 coalition** led to a historic **\$10.56 million increase** in funding for OST programs in 2019. The proposed budget stayed about the same for the Fiscal Year 2020.
- The **findings from the surveys** collected by PAVE parent leaders were included in a **report by Policy Studies Associates**. These results will help **inform the Deputy Mayor of Education's strategic plan** to improve access to OST programs, remove barriers for families, and allocate funding equitably.

## What's Next?

- **More funding** is needed to ensure all kids have access to **high-quality OST programs**.
- In SY 2019-2020 PAVE parent leaders will **continue to advocate for OST programs** that can meet the unique needs of our children - especially **specialized programs and programs for children with special needs** - that are affordable and accessible for all families.

## Join us in making change in DC Schools!

- Read about **PAVE parents advocacy** securing a historic win for OST funding at [bit.ly/2I4H9jc](https://bit.ly/2I4H9jc)
- Reach out to **PAVE's organizing team** at [organizers@dcpave.org](mailto:organizers@dcpave.org) to join 2000+ DC parent leaders and share your voice!

