



March 23, 2017

Dear Mayor Bowser,

We the undersigned 455 school personnel, parents, and DC residents, plus three citywide organizations, ask you to include increased robust funding for school modernizations in the FY2018 – FY2023 DCPS Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

There are 12 schools across the city that have never been modernized and are not on the CIP to date and many more that need improvement and expansion. The 12 schools untouched (according to data from the 21st Century School Fund) are:

1. Oyster-Adams Education Campus
2. Washington Metropolitan High
3. Francis Stevens Education Campus
4. Eaton Elementary
5. Dorothy Heights
6. Raymond Education Campus
7. Browne Education Campus
8. Capitol Hill Montessori@Logan
9. Aiton Elementary
10. Smothers Elementary
11. Garfield Elementary
12. Malcolm X Elementary at Green)

**We need to invest additional resources now to fix all schools. Every child in this city deserves to attend a modern, safe and healthy building that can help them all graduate college and career ready. When we delay modernizing buildings, our maintenance and repair schedule falls further and further behind. No child or teacher should have to be in a school with pressing health and safety concerns.**

Investments are needed to:

- Bring all schools all up to modern standards
- Put schools on a track for a reasonable and responsive future maintenance and repair schedule

We call on city leaders to:

1. Commit to a robust budget that will modernize any schools that have seen no modernization to date.
2. Prioritize middle schools and education campuses.
3. Address serious health and safety concerns -- including lead exposure, poor air quality, lack of working heat and air conditioning, high decibel levels, lack of functioning windows, inadequate security capabilities, lack off accessibility for people with limited mobility or physical disabilities, and more.
4. Ensure our earliest learners have enough safe, healthy spaces to learn.
5. Implement an open, transparent, and inclusive process to execute increased investment in our school buildings. The modernization process for every school should include school community-based planning and input as well as data-based planning that takes into account not only the immediate needs of a school but the planned use of the school in the future.

**DC has the financial resources to fix all schools.** We urge you to consider the widely supported DC Fiscal Policy Institute’s recommendations for fiscally responsible ways to spend some of the city’s surplus on one-time capital costs like school modernizations in order to modernize all schools (<http://www.dcfpi.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/Untie-DCs-Hands-Sign-on-January-2017.pdf>).

We look forward to working with you to achieve these goals and set us on a path to safety and success for every child in every community in the nation’s capital. With an open, transparent, and inclusive process, we can fully implement a plan for each school that uses tax dollars wisely and benefits every child and every community.

With respect and appreciation,

Signed by 455 school personnel, parents, and community members, plus three citywide organizations

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Erika Hoppes	6	Pete Nash	6	Hal Connolly	6
Beth Bacon	6	Alexander G. Nock	6	Becca Schendel Norris	6
Greg Whitsell	6	Tracy Davis	5	Suzanne Wells	6
Susan Oakley	6	Kim Bursic	5	Sandra Moscoso	6
Todd J. Cochran	6	Jonny Petty	5	George Blackmon	4
Stephanie Coleman	5	Fonta Gilliam	8	Elizabeth Festa	6
Christine Cochran	6	Sara Burns	6	Mark Smith	7
Sara Moore Kerai	6	Amy Weedon	6		

Jenny Foelker		Claire Battle	8	Irene Edwards	1
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Ed Dieterle	3	Rosalind Lyle	7	Erum Mirza	3
Carolyn Albert-Garvey	6	David Dzidzienyo	4	Kristin Douglas	1
Samantha Kirby Caruth	6	Fajr M	6	Alex Tzoumas	1
Rebecca Trautmann	6	Yvonne Lee	6	Esperanza Roman Mendoza	1
Brian Doyle	3	Daniel Wong	6	Walter Ferreyra	4
Rebecca Wolf	6	Kristina Vidal	6	Alexis Baden-Mayer/Adam Eiding	1
Miriam Allen	6	Erica Crawford	8	Alfredo Rodriguez	3
Jennifer Sklar	6	Christine Rey	8	Amanda Wharton	3
Matthew Frumin	3	Richard Trogisch	2	Nancy Copeland Purnima	3
Anne Fitzpatrick	5	Heather Schoell	6	Boominathan	3
Olu Smoak	5	Nicole R. Denny	8	Lucinda Eng Garcia	4
Grace Ha	5	Earlene Miller	8	Maria	5
Beth Omasta	5	Kesh Ladduwahetty	3	Elisa Perez-Marsa	1
Cara Hosler-Smythe	5	Theresa Gasaway	5	Christopher Rider	1
Ana M Gonzalez	3	Ava Millstone	6	Stacy Neidoff	1
Rev. Robert C. Keithan	5	May Wheelwright	6	Joshua Linn	3
Tammy Alexander	5	Ken Millstone	6	Seth	3
Analissa Dimen	6	Erin Roth	6	Rodger Correa	2
Mariana Jones	7	Myya Seldon	6	Amber Gove	6
Richard Jasper	7	Sabrina Joseph	6	Randall Jackson	3
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Laura Fuchs	5	Jennifer Ibrahim	6	Rima Lymus	3
Mark Simon	1	Amy Treat	6	Ayden Lymus	3
Heather McLean	6	Mildred Musgrove	5	Cary Joshi	3
Veronica Hollmon	6	Knott Family	5	Tony Lymus	3
Frank Jones III	4	Joshua Hertzberg	4	John Mark King	1
Cherita Whiting	4	Dianne Moore-Williams	4	Viva Goettinger	3
Ivan Frishberg	6	Sameena Kluck	6	Gregory Ferrand	4
Amelia Woodford	6	Shantal Hill	5	Gaston de los Reyes	3
Ruth Wattenberg	3	Rebecca Reina	1	Angie Kirk	6
Tiffany L. Brown	7	Margot Berkey	1	Larry McGee	6
Mary Levy	2	Denise Miller	4	Susan Klein	3
Kenyon Weaver	6	Jaclyn Smith	4	Martin Lucero	2
Elizabeth A. Davis	5	Iris Bond Gill	6	Eric Perry Glick	1
Sarah Stevens	8	Nicholas Woodfield	1	Amanda Briggs	6
Bernice Seals	6	Esperanza Berrocal	3	Tarsha Johnson	1
Charlotte Frazier	1	Patrick J. Bonner	3	Sole MAUREIRA	2
Megan Callahan	5	claudia martin	1		
		Pamela Roberts	3		

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Lisa Pearlman	3	Silvia Paruzzolo	3	Alexcia Hopkins	7
Sarah	4	Andrea egan	3	Matthew Barnette	8
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Silvia	1	Anne Salinas	1	Linda Neumann	6
Mauricio Calderon	1	Sarah McPhie	6	Shaundrea Brown	7
Magaly Gatti	6	Michael D. Hughes	3	Hillary Moore	6
Krishna Upadhya	3	Julie Scofield	6	Jessica Smith	6
Sarah Rikken	4	Christie Jorge	3	Luis Pozo-Lin	6
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Jennifer Fowler	6	Joshua Goldberg	1	Dorrette Prince	7
Colleen Wilson	7	Debby and John Hanrahan	2	Lynette Craig	5
Steven Burch	2	Dimelsa Zelaya	5	David Neumann	6
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Eileen Rider	1	Corinne Graff	2	Elizabeth Pelcyger	6
Marta Pilla	6	Jesus Soriano	2	Shenearah Lassiter	5
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Julio Vega	3	JB Kim	6	Ebony Simms	8
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Rebeca Rodriguez	1	Deanna Troust	1	Carolyn Banfalvi	6
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Elizabeth Minnigh	3	Julia Gallu	3	Amanda Rush	8
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Zara Berry-Young	8	Carla Toliver	8	Josh Cleveland	1
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Rebecca Sachs	1	Rebecca Millner	6	Karen Breslin	3
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Elisa Hull	4	Eva Salvetti	4	Brent Goldfarb	4
Victoria Winter	6	Jenelle whittaker	1	Stephanie Guiloff	1
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Chantell Rowe	4	Elizabeth Paisner	6	Korina	7
Ed Dixon	1	Crystal Wiley	1	Gerardo Tamayo	6
Sarah Taheri	6	Cristina Regojo	3	Jeff White	3
Eric Rubin	6	Liliana Henao Holmes	4	Carl Michael Benson	6
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Julie Biggs	6	Andrea Rodriguez	3	Sarah Titus	3
Justin Milner	6	Victor Rodriguez	3	Ruth Madden	3
Chris Hall	6	Erika	6	Edward Keefe	3
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Michele L Winkler		Sherema Copes	4	Kristi Plahn-Gjersvold	1
Thomas	6	Jason Livernois	8	Aurora Paiva	3
Emily Greif	6	Nicole Michel	6	Moises	3
Arkie Tassew	1	Rami Elamine	4	Monique Worrell	8
Andraya Proctor	7	Anna Hamilton	7	andres nunez	3
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Tiffany L Brown	7	Kathy Hollowell-		Teisha McKie	8
Elizabeth Bailey	6	Makle	7	Ari Kagan	3
Amanda Perez	6	Alexandra Endres	5	Kelly Cronin	3
Helen Brown	7	Sharon Christiasen	3	Belisa Vega	1
Elizabeth	4	Ivanna Robinson	7	Sarah Elwell	5
Rebecca Amick	5	Deyon Johnson	8	Craig DeWolfe	3
Patrick Cassidy	3	Amelia Bell	3	Taina Caragol	3
Jennifer Snodgrass	8	Anabell Martinez	1	Beth Rubens	4
Ryan Gibson	4	Steve Alder Pierson	6	Sarah Livingston	6
Joseph Conlon	3	Daren Firestone	6	Jennine	1
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Tom Kluck	6	Adria Jones Wright	2
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Kate Gilles	6	David Steckler	6
Vicki Bullock	4	Krisy Cheek	5
Heather Whitlow	6	Nikki	2
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Micha L Winkler		Elsie C. Fleming	6
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Arjun Prasad	1		
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Sheila Strain Clark	5		
Olurotimi Fagbohun	4		
Helena Smolich	6		
Chris Sondreal	5		
Julie Cannatti	1		
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Kari Cunningham	2		
Julie Hantman	2		
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