

Dear Families and Supporters,

Earlier today, CPS took a big step forward in the fight to end the discriminatory funding system that shortchanges Chicago students and threatens to derail their futures. For the first time, we appeared in court as part of our civil rights lawsuit against Governor Rauner and the State of Illinois. The Judge set dates for each side to provide legal briefs, and the Judge scheduled a court hearing for April 19th.

We will continue to fight to end the State's discrimination based on a child's race, color, or national origin. This year alone, the State's discriminatory funding has shortchanged CPS students by \$500 million.

We want to thank you for your support, and will continue to update you as this process moves forward. We encourage you to join us in this fight by making your voices heard in Springfield and in your local communities.

Please visit [our website](#) for additional information on the lawsuit and download our digital media toolkit featuring helpful resources you can use to take immediate action with us today.

Sincerely,

Forrest Claypool  
Chief Executive Officer  
Chicago Public Schools

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