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Dear DCPS Community:

Just over a decade ago, our city made the choice to transform the way public education in the District of Columbia works for our students, \_\_\_\_\_ Noun Plural \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ Noun Plural \_\_\_\_\_. In order to set more young Washingtonians up for \_\_\_\_\_ Noun \_\_\_\_\_ in school and in life, we made the choice to invest in the modernization of \_\_\_\_\_ Adjective \_\_\_\_\_ buildings throughout our city while also looking at every \_\_\_\_\_ Noun \_\_\_\_\_ of how teaching and learning was happening in our schools.

As many will remember, at first the reforms simply meant getting \_\_\_\_\_ Noun Plural \_\_\_\_\_ and other supplies out of warehouse boxes and into \_\_\_\_\_ Noun Plural \_\_\_\_\_. Then, we doubled-down on measuring student achievement, because we knew that in order to fix our system's opportunity gaps, we had to \_\_\_\_\_ Verb Base Form \_\_\_\_\_ them. As we learned more about where and how students were achieving, and as the national conversation around content and skills became more focused on what students in the 21st century need to know and be able to do, we worked \_\_\_\_\_ Adverb \_\_\_\_\_ with educators in DC and around the \_\_\_\_\_ Noun \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Verb Base Form \_\_\_\_\_ how and what we were teaching our students.

In 2012, DCPS released a five-year \_\_\_\_\_ Adjective \_\_\_\_\_ plan that recommitted the system to providing every student with a \_\_\_\_\_ Adjective \_\_\_\_\_, academically challenging, and \_\_\_\_\_ Adjective \_\_\_\_\_ learning experience. Today, five

years later, we know without a doubt that DCPS is on the Noun. DCPS continues to be the fastest improving urban school district in the country, and a recent report confirmed that our schools have made significant gains on student achievement, graduation rates, Advanced Placement exams, student satisfaction, and Noun. However, there is still much more work to be done to ensure that every student, in every ward of our city, receives the Noun and Noun Plural they deserve.

This new five-year strategic plan presents a set of priorities and goals that will continue to Verb Base Form DCPS into a school Noun of both Noun and equity. In the months leading up to the creation of this plan, we Verb Past Tense from thousands of students, educators, families, and community members about their Noun Plural for the future of DCPS. With its focus on creating a more equitable system, this new five-year strategic plan reflects the Noun of families and educators who all want the best for their own children, but also Verb Present ends in S that our city cannot reach its full potential if policies and Noun Plural do not support all children.

Today, our school communities are stronger than they have ever been, and I am committed to continuing the Noun Plural we are making in and out of the classroom that ensure all students are exposed to a diverse range of Adjective, hands-on learning Noun Plural. A Capital Commitment 2017-2022 will help us give more students a fair shot at success by focusing the energy of all eight wards on creating a system of Noun, equity, and Noun.

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Mayor Muriel Bowser