

EVERY CHILD. EVERY CLASSROOM. EVERY DAY.

Washington, DC, has everything it needs to lead the nation in public education – the resources, the talent, the families who show up every day believing this city can do better. A Goodweather administration makes that belief real. Every student accounted for. Every child reading by third grade. Every teacher supported. Every neighborhood connected to opportunity.

THE EDUCATION CRISIS



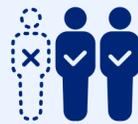
\$24,000+ | DC spends more per student than nearly any other US city.



62% – of DC students cannot read at grade level.



1 in 6 | DC teachers leave the system every single year.



40% | of DC students are missing at least a month of school every year

OUR PROPOSAL

1. EVERY STUDENT ACCOUNTED FOR.

- Real-time attendance tracking – struggling students identified in weeks, not months
- Expand Safe Passages so students have safe, supervised walking routes to school
- Scale ONSA Leadership Academy from 3 to 10 high schools – mentors, not monitors
- Give principals the flexibility to spend support funding where their students need it most
- Fare-Free DC transit so getting to school is never a barrier

2. EVERY CHILD READS

- Teach reading the way the research says works – phonics, practice, and comprehension in every school
- Screen every K–3 student for reading struggles multiple times per year so no one falls behind unnoticed
- Screen every student for dyslexia by 1st grade and provide free 1-on-1 tutoring through 12th grade
- 3rd grade reading checkpoint to make sure every struggling reader gets an Individual Reading Plan, summer support, and free tutoring before they fall further behind

3. KEEP OUR TEACHERS

- Reform DC's teacher evaluation system with real teacher input – and restore the right to bargain over how teachers are evaluated
- Multi-year mentorship for every new DC teacher
- Green card sponsorship protecting international educators from losing their classrooms
- "Grow Your Own" pipeline producing DC-raised, DC-trained teachers – including a pathway for classroom aides to become licensed teachers
- Full-time nurse and mental health clinician in every school – independent of MPD, with more counselors per student

4. FROM PRE-K TO CAREER

- Protect and expand early childhood education – defend the Pay Equity Fund for childcare workers, expand Pre-K 3 and Pre-K 4 seats
- Expanded afterschool and summer programs with enrichment, tutoring, and safe spaces
- Expand dual language and bilingual programs so more DC students graduate fluent in two languages
- Capital Corps Youth Track: structured service, job training, and a career development plan for every student by 10th grade
- Career and technical education expansion with an Advanced Technical Center in every ward

WHAT WE WILL ACCOMPLISH

- 3rd grade reading proficiency above 50%
- Chronic absenteeism below 25% districtwide
- Public dashboards tracking attendance, literacy, and retention by school
- Full-time nurse and mental health clinician in every school
- An Advanced Technical Center in every ward