

# Fair School Funding

A CCS COMMUNITY TOWN HALL

May 7, 2025 | 6–8 p.m.  
East High School

## Tonight's Agenda

### Welcome

Ebenezer Vasquez-Fuentes, *South High School Student*

### Brief Remarks

Michael Cole, *Board of Education President*

Dr. Angela Chapman, *Columbus City Schools Superintendent/CEO*

Ryan Cook, *Columbus City Schools Treasurer*

### Introduction

Ebenezer Vasquez-Fuentes, *South High School Student*

### Panel Discussion

Moderated by Amelia Robinson, *Columbus Dispatch Editor*



**Munira Abdullahi**

*State Representative  
District 9*



**Jennifer Adair**

*Board of Education  
Vice President*



**Beryl Brown  
Piccolantonio**

*State Representative  
District 4*



**Hearcel F. Craig**

*State Senator  
District 15*



**Latyna Humphrey**

*State Representative  
District 2*

### Questions & Answers

### Closing Remarks & Call to Action

John Coneglio, CEA President

Lois Carson, CSEA President

*Invest in Our Future:*

# Support Fair School Funding for Columbus City Schools

*Let's Build a Stronger Future Together!*

## Why It Matters:

Columbus City Schools is the largest school district in Ohio, serving over 47,000 students. Yet, we continue to face challenges because of outdated, unfair funding systems. The state's funding model must reflect the true cost of educating every student.

The Fair School Funding Plan was created to ensure more equitable and predictable funding, but it hasn't been fully implemented. Without it, our schools remain underfunded and our students and community pay the price.

For more information on Fair School Funding, visit [www.policymattersohio.org](http://www.policymattersohio.org).

*Together, we can advocate for fair funding that ensures every student has the opportunity to succeed.*

## What's At Stake:

- **Our Students' Future:** Underfunded schools lead to overcrowded classrooms, outdated materials, and limited access to extracurricular programs.
- **Our Community's Strength:** Strong schools build strong communities. Investing in education means a brighter future for all of us.
- **Ohio's Growth:** A fair, fully funded education system will help prepare students for the workforce, leadership, and citizenship in a global economy.

## What You Can Do:

1. **Contact Your Legislators:**  
Tell them you support the Fair School Funding Plan and fair funding for public schools in Ohio's biennial operating budget.
2. **Speak Out:**  
Share your story with the media, on social media, or at a public hearing for the state budget. Your voice matters!
3. **Attend Community Meetings:**  
Join local town halls, board meetings, and advocacy events. Stay informed and involved in decisions that impact our students and our future.

## Take Action Today!

Visit [www.legislature.ohio.gov](http://www.legislature.ohio.gov) to find your legislators and tell them:

“We are calling on the Ohio General Assembly to fulfill their constitutional duty and fully fund the Fair School Funding Plan.”