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Education Supporters Celebrate Fair Funding Court Ruling – and Call for Legislators to Fully Fund Public Schools

PA Commonwealth Court ruled that students' rights were "clearly, palpably, and plainly violated."

[Location, date] – By order of the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania, state lawmakers must rectify the unconstitutional state funding system for public education. Now it's time for lawmakers to act, and supporters from [location] are coming together to publicly call for full funding for our schools.

Earlier this month, Pennsylvania's Commonwealth Court unequivocally ruled that the state's current school funding system is unconstitutional. It recognized that education is a fundamental right guaranteed by the Pennsylvania Constitution to all children—and that this right has been denied in low-wealth districts.

This decision affirms in great detail the deep deprivations that students in low-wealth districts have faced for decades. Now it's the legislature's job to come up with the necessary funding so that all students can receive the quality public education guaranteed in our state constitution. Complying with this ruling will change the future for millions of families, so that children are no longer denied the education they deserve.

Local public education supporters are holding an event to celebrate this historic victory for students and to call on state lawmakers to fund our public schools and end the infringement on students' rights without delay.

WHO: [if you have speakers, list them here with affiliations and titles]

WHEN: Date and time

WHERE: [add location or Zoom address]

[Add any special information about your event. Maybe the location has some significance, or your group has a special interest in education (parents, grandparents, teachers, students). This is also a good place to list any participating organizations with brief descriptions.]

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