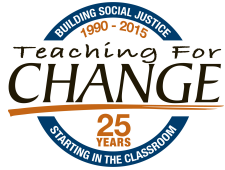
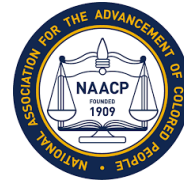


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## **Coalition of DC Education and Equity Advocates to Release Open Letter to Mayor Bowser and City Council on the Search For a New DCPS Chancellor and Deputy Mayor for Education**

**WASHINGTON-** A diverse group of education and equity focused organizations along with individuals from all eight wards are holding a press conference this Thursday June 28, 2018 at 10:00 am to release a letter to Mayor Bowser and the DC City Council calling for an open and inclusive process in selecting a new DCPS Chancellor and Deputy Mayor for Education. Mayor Bowser announced that the searches would begin following the June 19h primary and the D.C. community is prepared to engage in an open dialogue about where we are more than ten years after major education reforms changed the landscape of DC education. While progress has been made in many areas, there is much room for improvement. For that reason, this diverse coalition is outlining a positive, forward-looking agenda for DC schools and looks forward to engaging with the Mayor and City Council on how this search process can begin that important conversation.

Please join us for a news conference to release the letter and outline the priorities of this coalition of advocates.

**WHAT:** News Conference

**WHEN:** Thursday June 28, 2018 10 am

**WHERE:** Washington Lawyers Committee - 11 Dupont Circle NW Suite 400

**WHO:** Scott Goldstein- EmpowerEd Executive Director, Markus Batchelor- Ward 8 State Board of Education Representative, Allyson Criner Brown- Teaching for Change, Suzanne Wells- Capitol Hill Public School Parent Organization, Kent Wythcombe- Washington Lawyers Committee, WTU, NAACP.