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Cleveland Metropolitan School District Relaunches the Get More Opportunities Fund 2.0: Empowering Schools and Scholars with Equitable Resources

Cleveland, OH – The Cleveland Metropolitan School District (CMSD) is thrilled to announce the relaunch of the Get More Opportunities Fund (GMOF) 2.0, a revitalized initiative aimed at providing equitable, student-centered funding opportunities across all District schools. Originally established through a generous \$20M gift from philanthropist Mackenzie Scott, GMOF has evolved to ensure that every school benefits from its resources, in line with the District's Future of CMSD two (of four) initiatives, Equity and Access.

Dr. Warren Morgan, CMSD CEO: "With the relaunch of this fund, we are making a deliberate effort to ensure that all our schools can enrich the educational experience of their students. This program exemplifies our commitment to equity by distributing funds in a way that considers the unique needs of each school, allowing for a more tailored approach to student success."

The enhanced program will allocate \$4M annually, with each school receiving a base allocation plus a proportional share based on enrollment. These funds will be used for initiatives that directly benefit students, including enhancements to learning environments, innovative educational experiences, and technology upgrades.

Kelsey James, 10th Grade Student, East Technical High School: "I'm excited about the relaunch because the students get to pick the opportunities for their own school. It gives us more opportunities to have input in our learning and experiences. It is fun to be able to have some authority to approve plans and projects that will make our schools better."

The relaunch of GMOF 2.0 is set to commence this month, with the first round of applications opening on September 23rd. CMSD is committed to transparency and will publicly share the details of funded proposals, highlighting the impactful work being done across the district.

For more information, please visit https://www.clevelandmetroschools.org/getmore.

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The Cleveland Metropolitan School District (CMSD) is the third largest public school system in Ohio, serving roughly 36,000 students. Under The Cleveland Plan, a groundbreaking reform plan created by the community and written into state law, CMSD strives to ensure that every child receives a high-quality education, regardless of the provider. To that end, CMSD lets families choose which District schools their children attend, with options that include STEM, the arts, single-gender education, International Baccalaureate, Montessori, and early college.