

## FUND OUR FACILITIES IS A COALITION OF ELECTED OFFICIALS, LABOR ORGANIZATIONS AND COMMUNITY GROUPS FOCUSED ON ENSURING CRITICAL INVESTMENT IN OUR SCHOOL FACILITIES.

#### We are advocating for a commonsense agenda based on the following:

- Every child across the Commonwealth has the right to a quality public education in a school that is safe, healthy, and clean.
- For too long, students across the state have suffered from catastrophic disinvestment in their schools, resulting in physical and environmental hazards in their school buildings.
- As leaders in our communities, we have a moral imperative to work in a unified way to ensure that no child is ever again poisoned in their classroom.
- **NEW, January 2021**: As shameful conditions in school facilities have persisted without comprehensive remediation, facilities needs have increased. Additionally, the onset of the COVID-19 crisis has exacerbated many of the existing needs within buildings, specifically around air quality and ventilation.

# New, January 2021: Our Coalition is calling on an immediate investment of \$200 Million to remediate the most pressing environmental concerns within more than 225 School District of Philadelphia buildings.

- More school cleaning and maintenance staff
- Rodent & pest control; asthma control
- Accelerated & expanded lead paint and asbestos stabilization
- Repair of water leaks
- Electrical & lighting upgrades
- Bathroom upgrades
- Window replacement
- NEW, January 2021: COVID related response and upgrades (including air quality)
- Improved strategic planning, data management, collaboration, and quality control efforts

## This \$200 million will help ensure Philadelphia's schools are safe, healthy, and clean. It does not negate the need for the billions of dollars needed for a longer-term facilities investment plan.

While this figure is specific to Philadelphia's needs, our Coalition is founded on the principles of equitable access across the state and nation. We are part of a broader nationwide "Fund Our Future" investment agenda for public schools, and we hope that our collective efforts can serve as a model for other cities and states looking for sensible ways to ensure the safety and health of our children.

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