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## Statement on MPS results on TUDA

Milwaukee – [Milwaukee Teachers' Education Association](#) President [Mike Langyel](#) issued a statement regarding MPS results on the 2009 Mathematics Trial Urban District Assessment (TUDA). Students from MPS, joined students from 18 other urban districts in taking math tests that are part of the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), and results were released today.

“The results from the TUDA underscore the urgent need for meaningful reforms which will strengthen our schools and make sure all of our students have the opportunity for a great education.

“As educators, we are passionate about teaching and we want our students to succeed in school and in life. That’s why we developed the [Milwaukee Opportunity Plan](#), putting forward reforms that we know will work for our students.

“In our plan, we have suggested ideas and reforms centered on parent and community engagement, school safety, smaller class sizes, curriculum, effective leadership, and accountability.

“These strategies and reforms outlined in the Opportunity Plan, if implemented, will not only increase scores on the TUDA and other assessments, but will ensure our students are prepared for college, careers, and citizenship.

“Today, Arne Duncan has called on ‘people across the country . . . to work together to create the schools that all America’s children deserve, regardless of their income, race, religion, or zip code.’

“As educators in our city’s schools, we call on citizens and government leaders across the city and state to work with us on meaningful reforms that will work for our students.

“The RACE for Success Plan, introduced by Senator Spencer Coggs and Representative Tamara Grigsby is a good start to that collaborative work.

“The time for divisive proposals that fracture our community has ended. We must focus our collective energy on opportunities for our students that will ensure a bright future for our city.”

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