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Milwaukee Educators Host Public Forum on Funding Great Schools

The MTEA is hosting a Public Forum on Funding Great Schools to discuss the problems with the current school funding formula and potential solutions that are fair to taxpayers, and provide an excellent education to all students.

When: Wednesday, October 22, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Where: MPS Central Services Auditorium, 5225 W. Vliet St., Milwaukee

A panel of experts will provide detailed information about the flaws with the current school finance system, how the flaws are impacting school districts and taxpayers across Wisconsin, including in Milwaukee, and ways to change the funding system which should be considered during the next legislative session.

The panelists are:

- **Teresa Thomas-Boyd**, MPS parent, Milwaukee organizer for Citizen Action of Wisconsin
- **Jeff Leverich**, Senior Researcher, Wisconsin Education Association Council
- **Jack Norman**, Research Director, Institute for Wisconsin's Future
- **Mary Bell**, President, Wisconsin Education Association Council

"Changing the way schools are funded in our state is one of MTEA's top legislative priorities," said Kelly McMahon, K5 teacher at Lancaster Elementary School and Chairperson of the MTEA Legislative Committee. "That's why we are having this forum. We think it's important for educators, parents, students, and concerned members of the community to learn more about the current system and talk about potential solutions together."

Members of the MTEA Legislative Committee planned the event, which is free and open to the public.

The Milwaukee Teachers' Education Association is a labor union representing over 8,500 teachers and other education professionals working in Milwaukee Public Schools. The union's mission is to improve the lives of our members and the students and families we serve.

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