



Prince George's County Board of Education
14201 School Lane • Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772 • www.pgcps.org

June 7, 2018

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Telephone: 301-952-6115
Facsimile: 301-952-6114

Board Chair
Segun C. Eubanks, Ed.D.

Statement from the Chair of the Prince George's County Board of Education

We acknowledge that work remains, but hope our union colleagues will join us in acknowledging the progress we have made. Prince George's County Public Schools' compensation has lagged behind that of our neighboring jurisdictions for decades and the great recession widened this gap.

Over the last five (5) years, Prince George's County and the Board of Education have worked to close the salary gap for teachers in the County as compared to surrounding districts that was created in the past. Between Fiscal Years 2013 and 2018, PGCPS provided almost \$120 million in negotiated salary increases for teachers in an effort to restore their losses. For Fiscal Year 2019, the Board has provided for an additional \$23 million in teacher raises. In addition, in November 2017, PGCEA and PGCPS negotiated and ratified a 2-year contract that provides for two (2) salary increases within a 12-month period.

We agree teachers should be paid more and that is why we have increased funding for salaries over the last five (5) years. We are committed to working with our union partners to address all of their concerns in the appropriate and valid collaborative negotiation process. To that end, beginning early next week, I am happy to meet with President Dudley and her leadership team as soon as our schedules allow.

MISSION STATEMENT

To provide a great education that empowers all students and contributes to thriving communities.

Prince George's County Public Schools