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Dear Governor Raimondo and the Education Funding Formula Working Group,

As alum of The Metropolitan Regional Career and Technical Center (The Met), we, the undersigned, are concerned about the financial challenges the Met is facing, and want you to know how important the Met is to us, our families, and to the community.

The Met is an innovative public career and technical school, which offers integrated academic and work skills programming. With high standards and strong family engagement, The Met's individualized learning approach has proven successful in unlocking students' passion for learning.

However, The Met faces many challenges and needs your support. As a state-operated career and technical school, The Met relies on sufficient funding from the state to support the unique needs of the innovative programs and its students.

The Met changed me for the better and I continue to follow my passion as a solid citizen of this community. We invite you to visit The Met to see the great work being done to prepare students for post-secondary schooling and careers. We want to be sure the Met stays strong for future generations of Rhode Islanders!

We appreciate your open perspective on this matter as you review the funding formula. We are depending on your help to ensure innovative career and technical education for the students of Rhode Island.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Signatures

Name	Location	Date
Brian Mils	, United States	2015-11-16
Ahmad El-Asmar	South Kingstown, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Luis Del Rosario	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Aida Torres	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Chris A	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Kevin Disz	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Ryan Irons	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Hasslee Lopez	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Cameron Correa	Seekonk, MA, United States	2015-11-17
Zachary Chandler	Coventry, RI, United States	2015-11-17
andrea campos	Miami, FL, United States	2015-11-17
Nephthalie Merlain	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Freddy Gonzalez	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Koren Ware	Bangor, ME, United States	2015-11-17
Jasmine Chavez	Central Falls, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Chris Vaillancourt	Tiverton, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Elizabeth Mercado	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Corey Johnson	Johnston, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Yesenia Mercado	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Kendra Robertson	Charlotte, NC, United States	2015-11-17
Savannah Dowd	Bangor, ME, United States	2015-11-17
Rosalia Torres	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Liam Falvey	Warwick, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Rebecca Norman	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Laura Reis	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Abraham Mangana	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Julian Bessinger	Portsmouth, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Stacy Abbott	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Sherli Foster	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Marissa Roberson	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17

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Arline Gould	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Daisy Contreras	Philadelphia, PA, United States	2015-11-17
Joselinee Soria Mariscal	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Tyrell Threats McNeil	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Kanema Miller	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Leslie Perez	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Michael Carlino	Johnston, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Abigail Smith	Bristol, CT, United States	2015-11-17
Katie Rose	Narragansett, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Madeleine Simoneau	Boston, MA, United States	2015-11-17
Javier Santana	North Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Allison Turbitt	East Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Priscilla Gomez	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Wole Akinbi	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Hector Cabrera	Cranston, RI, United States	2015-11-17
JENNIFER SIMONEAU	Bristol, CT, United States	2015-11-17
Barbara Norman	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Lisa Niebels	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Ken Norman	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Bridget Champlin	Warwick, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Mariama Goncalves	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Concerned Citizen	New City, NY, United States	2015-11-17
Harold Threats	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-17
Jessica Sanabria	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Jake Huling	Coventry, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Curtis Palmer	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Courtney McEntee	Cranston, RI, United States	2015-11-18
John Eunis	Johnston, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Erin Fogarty	Cumberland, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Abigail Falvey	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Katie Fogarty	Cumberland, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Karen Eunis	Johnston, RI, United States	2015-11-18

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Jenna D'Attilio	Cranston, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Daisha German	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Hayley Heroux	Woonsocket, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Teri Rogers	Rumford, ME, United States	2015-11-18
Katherine Heroux	WOONSOCKET, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Sandra Silva	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Victoriana Mota	East Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Kenia Richards	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Devi Arnold	Warwick, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Genesis Aponte	Boston, MA, United States	2015-11-18
Alyssa Nault	Lincoln, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Monique Conway	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Kelvin Torres	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Chelsea Lopez	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Angie Castillo	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Alexia Navarro	Woonsocket, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Alex Oquendo	Pawtucket, RI, United States	2015-11-18
michael murphy	cranston, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Diana Sutherland	Beverly, MA, United States	2015-11-18
Alicia Hoffman	Brighton, MA, United States	2015-11-18
Maya Gutmann-McKenzie	Brooklyn, NY, United States	2015-11-18
Erin Walsh	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Carol Sutherland	Centreville, VA, United States	2015-11-18
curtis livingston	woonsocket, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Leeann Watts	Cranston, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Kirsis Paredes	East Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Mandara MacKinnon	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Mike Pagano	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-18
David Cass	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Aujane Cornish	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Julia Johnston	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Shae Thibault	Buford, GA, United States	2015-11-18

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Salvador Pellerano	Warwick, RI, United States	2015-11-18
David Henderson	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Megan Souza	Cumberland, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Briana Garrity	Cumberland, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Lauren Goss	Harrisville, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Juliet Khun	Cranston, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Amy E	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Darryl Hall	Washington, DC, United States	2015-11-18
Jennifer Gamez	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Indira Spears	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Cody Terra	Johnston, RI, United States	2015-11-18
Zöe B.	Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic	2015-11-19
Lynne Damiano	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-19
Allison Giordano	East Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-19
Andrea Vaughan	Smithfield, RI, United States	2015-11-19
Brian Bordieri	Johnston, RI, United States	2015-11-19
Janie Segui	Pawtucket, RI, United States	2015-11-19
priscilla vargas	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-19
Karla Vigil	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-19
Michael Gore	Cranston, RI, United States	2015-11-19
Alaila Dedos	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-19
Scott Thibodeau	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-19
Anthony Soares	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-19
Jeroen Lam	Netherlands	2015-11-19
Wilmine Merlain	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-19
debra fonseca	Hyde Park, MA, United States	2015-11-19
Angela Miranda	West Warwick, RI, United States	2015-11-19
Suchmann Jesse	Brooklyn, NY, United States	2015-11-19
Matthew Bastan	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-19
Rosaly Cruz	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-19
Andrew Frishman	Cambridge, MA, United States	2015-11-19
RONALD WOLK	Warwick, RI, United States	2015-11-19

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Jim Cotter	Cranston, RI, United States	2015-11-19
Traay Camara	Warwick, RI, United States	2015-11-19
Laurie Chace	Pawtucket, RI, United States	2015-11-19
Tiffany poweski	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-19
Felicia Ponnequin	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-19
Jenell Dickens	Warwick, RI, United States	2015-11-20
Madison Maloof	East Greenwich, RI, United States	2015-11-20
Harold Robinson	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-20
Bethany Rodrigues	Pawtucket, RI, United States	2015-11-20
Emir Roberson	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-20
Fabio Pirola	, Italy	2015-11-21
Evan Mansolillo	Wakefield, RI, United States	2015-11-21
Justin Gomez	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-23
Alexia Hurley	East Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-23
Ginalys Velazquez	Providence, RI, United States	2015-11-24

Comments

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Ahmad El-Asmar	South Kingstown, RI	2015-11-17	I fully support the MET high school. They have changed my life around for the better and have done so for every single person I know that has graduated from there. The school deserves all the funding it needs!
Aida Torres	Providence, RI	2015-11-17	The Met is an amazing place where students are able to grow and learn through their passion. I am thankful be part a such a great community.
kevin tavarez	Providence, RI	2015-11-17	This was my former high school I want to be able to go back in a few years
Ryan Irons	Providence, RI	2015-11-17	The MET is an extraordinary place for students to be comfortable in their own skin, chase their passions, and explore the multiple career fields out there. The MET teaches its students how to be a contributing member of society, rid biases, and graduate high school feeling successful, knowledgeable, and ready to conquer the world.
andrea campos	Miami, FL	2015-11-17	I am signing because the Met gave me a chance to be great!
freddy gonzalez	Providence, RI	2015-11-17	The MET School is place where students challenge their surroundings, overcome adversity, meanwhile finding their passion in life. As a previous student who has also attended other high schools in Rhode Island, I can proudly say that The MET has had a great impact on my life for the better. I hope we continue to support!!
Koren Ware	Bangor, ME	2015-11-17	I'm signing this petition because The Met was a great school I attended. A place where I grew so much as a person and learned about my passions.
Chris Vaillancourt	Tiverton, RI	2015-11-17	The Met provided the most positive high school learning experience I could ask for.
Zachary Chandler	Coventry, RI	2015-11-17	Give this beautiful and wonderful school a chance to impact lives of many such as students, families, friends etc. The best feeling in the world is to be able to walk the stage with Tears ,smiles, dance, YELL "I DID IT " and how did I do it? By getting the best education that a person could ask for ,from taking and saving educations not just here in the United States of America but in other beautiful countries around the world by providing the best of the best Advisors to guide you through meeting all your needs and achieving Goals meeting lots of expectations by letting the students choose what him or her want to be doing in many years to come after The Met, Yep this school deserves it, The best place ever! And I'd be Damnd if I sit here and watch it crumble because it doesn't have the funding it needs to Give Hope to many many teenagers in this country and many other countries!
Corey Johnson	Johnston, RI	2015-11-17	I was a member of the Metflex program, which gave me a second chance at achieving my goal of graduating high school. The Met helped me become the man I am today and I will always be proud to say I attended such a great school. My advisors and fellow students became something of a family to me and I enjoyed every moment of learning and growing at the Met.
kendra Robertson	Elizabethport, NJ	2015-11-17	I'm a Met Alumni
Liam Falvey	Warwick, RI	2015-11-17	The met is the only chance some people get to make something from nothing

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Rebecca Norman	Providence, RI	2015-11-17	<p>The Met is a huge part of who I am today and I want new students to be able to experience what I did when I was attending. My brother is a freshman this year and when I tell him about things I was able to do as a student, it hurts when he says they don't do it anymore because of the lack of funding.</p> <p>I know many students who came to the Met not wanting to go to college and now they are working their hardest towards a degree because the Met helped them discover what they wanted to do after graduation, they had the answer to a question that most people don't until they are in college. The Met is a unique school where a student's passion shouldn't be snuffed because they can't fund a program for it.</p>
Abraham Mangana	Providence, RI	2015-11-17	<p>I am signing because the met enabled me to break the mold and, think about myself and my environment differently. The met challenges students to care about their education and take advantage of opportunities instead of teaching kids to memorize material, and pass a test then, forget everything they memorized. The Met offers lots of opportunity to positively affect the community rather than have our communities condition negatively affect us. Generations of children will walk through these doors and with your help will become better more conscious productive parts of society. Like my fellow alum Freddy, I too have attended another highschool in Rhode Island and was never presented with the challenges, nor opportunities the met has offered. Opportunities to see the world, while striving to help us better understand who we are and why we are here.</p>
Marissa Roberson	Providence, RI	2015-11-17	<p>The Met has opened my eyes, made me want to pursue a career within its community. Not only has it prepared for college academically but it's helped improve my personal qualities that make me the outgoing college student I am.</p>
Daisy Contreras	Philadelphia, PA	2015-11-17	<p>I'm signing because the met change me</p>
Leslie Perez	Providence, RI	2015-11-17	<p>The Met Prepared me. !</p>
Abigail Smith	Narragansett, RI	2015-11-17	<p>I was a student and hate to see kids not follow what they want for lack of money</p>
Madeleine Simoneau	Boston, MA	2015-11-17	<p>The Met helped me. It's important. It has changed the lives of so many for the better. Don't underestimate the need for educational reform in our country. The Met is a step in the right direction.</p>
Javier Santana	North Providence, RI	2015-11-17	<p>The met is school that refine teaching by learning through internships in a real world experiences that can only be expressed as once in a lifetime opportunity.</p>
Allison Turbitt	East Providence, RI	2015-11-17	<p>because I went to this school and really liked it there</p>
Wole Akinbi	Providence, RI	2015-11-17	<p>The Metropolitan Regional Career & Technical Center is such a necessary school in the City of Providence. That is why it is important to continue funding the school. It's Mission is genuine and they implement it well.</p>
JENNIFER SIMONEAU	Bristol, CT	2015-11-17	<p>My daughter took charge of her education, found support and success at the Met.</p>
Barbara Norman	Providence, RI	2015-11-17	<p>My Daughter is an alumni and my son is a freshman there and I want him to have every advantage she had.</p>
Lisa Niebels	Providence, RI	2015-11-17	<p>My son got a great education at Met.</p>
Jessica Sanabria	Providence, RI	2015-11-18	<p>The Met has shaped who I am today and I'm grateful for all the great opportunities I received as an inner city youth. The school has changed my life for the better!!</p>
Curtis Palmer	Providence, RI	2015-11-18	<p>I am a MET Alumni, it helped me discover my passion.</p>

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Courtney McEntee	Cranston, RI	2015-11-18	I'm signing because I have seen firsthand what the Met has done for its students and the amazing achievements they have made.
Abigail Falvey	Providence, RI	2015-11-18	I am signing this petition because the Met gave my brother, a frustrated young boy with an infuriating learning disability, the resources and staff he needed to flourish. Jumping from a 2nd grade reading level when he entered his freshman year - to a college reading level by the time of his graduation. I'm signing because the Met has given my younger sister countless opportunities to follow paths pertaining to her dreams of working in the music industry from working for 95.5 WBRU at the age of 14, to graphic design, to lighting, and more. She will also be graduating from the Met with an associates degree in general studies before I receive my bachelors. I'm 5 years her senior. This school is incredible.
Hayley Heroux	Woonsocket, RI	2015-11-18	Class of 2015 alumni. The Met was the best decision I ever made. Because of The Met, I was accepted to my top school Johnson and Wales University and was able to prepare for the classes here at one of the best bakeries in Rhode Island (Ellie's Bakery). Without The Met, I would have never discovered my passion for Baking and Pastry Arts and wouldn't be doing what I'm doing today. While at The Met, I was able to start my own small business selling cupcakes for girls' education in developing countries and was even able to sponsor a girl in Nepal. The opportunities at The Met are endless, no matter what it is that you want to do. The Met is more than just a school, it's a second home.
Katherine Heroux	WOONSOCKET, RI	2015-11-18	Because the met made a difference in my daughters life
Sandra Silva	Providence, RI	2015-11-18	My nephew and goddaughter go there as well as a friends children. Great place for them to learn at their speed. Not to be stuck in a traditional classroom being talked at all day.
Victoriana Mota	East Providence, RI	2015-11-18	I'm a met alum
Devi Arnold	Warwick, RI	2015-11-18	I'm signing this because the Met made me realize that I'm worth the fight, that I'm more than just the boxes that people place me in. Without the Met I wouldn't of been able to take advantage of all the opportunities presented to me, which lead me to learn about my passion for Psychology.
Monique Conway	providence, RI	2015-11-18	I'm signing because the Met is an amazing school!
Kelvin Torres	Providence, RI	2015-11-18	The Met gave wonderful lifetimes experiences. Others should be able to do so aswell.
ANGIE Castillo	Providence, RI	2015-11-18	I'm a met alumni!
michael murphy	cranston, RI	2015-11-18	This school inspires students to be the best at what they know and want to do
Diana Sutherland	Beverly, MA	2015-11-18	I'm signing this petition because The MET gave me the opportunity not only for a solid foundation in my education, but a solid foundation for LIFE. Continuing my education after graduating from The MET, I have moved on to what was my top choice of schools, Endicott College. Now in my second year as a college student, reflecting on all that I am grateful for from my High School is overwhelming! The MET prepared me to excel in my collegiate endeavors as well as challenged me to go further than that by introducing/supporting practice of skills that are critical to a successful work ethic. Having the opportunity to add four years worth of internship experience to a resume even before graduating high school has proven to give me the upper hand when applying for jobs, and internships. Professors, mentors, and employers alike love to hear about my High School experience, and all that it has offered me compared to a traditional High Schools. I sincerely cannot imagine where my life path would have lead me without The MET's educational model, and all of the caring staff that work there.

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Maya Gutmann-McKenzie	Providence, RI	2015-11-18	The Met changed my life for the better like no other experience has and maybe ever will.
Erin Walsh	Providence, RI	2015-11-18	I am so proud of everyone that goes and has and will. They are bright, intelligent people. I hope you fund this great school and it will flourish I am sure of it.
Carol Sutherland	Centreville, VA	2015-11-18	My niece and nephew earned wonderful educations at The Met. Here's to you for a fresh way of educating our future generations.
Leeann Watts	Cranston, RI	2015-11-18	My daughter also attends this school. It offers opportunities to these kids that no other school can or has. Confidence, independence, and the courage that is needed to proceed in the real world.
Miek Pagano	Providence, RI	2015-11-18	As both a volunteer and faculty alum I stand by The Met always.
Julia Johnston	Providence, RI	2015-11-18	I have taught there and I know what a difference it makes to students and families.
Shae Thibault	Buford, GA	2015-11-18	My daughter Amber attends the MET and it has been the best education she has ever received!
Salvador Pellerano	Warwick, RI	2015-11-18	I am signing this petition because places like the MET foster lifetime relationships and the leaders of tomorrow. No other institution can compare to the MET. Their innovation makes education fun yet challenging.
David Henderson	Providence, RI	2015-11-18	My son attended the Met and I know what a great school it really is.
Amy E	Providence, RI	2015-11-18	I am a proud alumni of The Met and would most likely not be where I am today (a Marketing and Events Manager at a Providence software company) without this school and it's dedicated staff. Please consider funding its future students!
Darryl Hall	Washington, DC	2015-11-18	I'm signing this because The Met gave me an chance to see the world and take on the world when I thought that I couldn't. Today I'm living far from home in a place I've never had seen until the Met gave me the opportunity. I've come a long way in my life and I have a lot more work to do, but The Met gave me the jumpstart I needed to take a chance in life. All the victories and defeats would not exist if it wasn't for The Met.
Zoe Blanchard	Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic	2015-11-19	A friend told me about this!
Lynne Damiano	Providence, RI	2015-11-19	I teach at this amazing school and have witnessed the love of learning it inspires in my students!
Michael Gore	Cranston, RI	2015-11-19	The Met saves lives and builds futures.
Scott Thibodeau	Providence, RI	2015-11-19	I am signing this petition in hopes that Governor Raimondo supports this Rhode Island Treasure. I firmly believe The Met School is an outstanding Academic Institution. This Education powerhouse offers many resources to students, opening a vast quantity of opportunities. I think the State should make it a priority to assist The Met School with any and all financial needs. They house one of the safest, loving, and caring environment's, always putting students first. The staff display such a passion for Education, surpassing any efforts I have witnessed in any School throughout the State. We need wonderful Schools like this to remain sufficient in all needs so they may continue providing this important and magnificent asset to Rhode Island. Governor, do your best to safeguard this amazing gem!
Jesse Suchmann	Brooklyn, NY	2015-11-19	I'm a met alumni. That school got me to where I am today.
Matthew Bastan	Providence, RI	2015-11-19	I believe in the MET philosophy and the work they are doing to support students in the pursuit of their passions and career goals.

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Andrew Frishman	Cambridge, MA	2015-11-19	This is vital to supporting innovative educational opportunities in the state of Rhode Island.
Traay Camara	Warwick, RI	2015-11-19	The Met has a great way of giving opportunities to students like no other school. The Met changes lives for the better, therefore, it is more than deserving of this funding.
Jenell Dickens	Warwick, RI	2015-11-20	I believe in the met i am a product of the met
Harold Robinson	Providence, RI	2015-11-20	The Met School allows students to gain exposure in careers that are essential to a successful and thriving economy.
Evan Mansolillo	South Kingstown, RI	2015-11-21	I currently attend this awesome school.
Justin Gomez	Providence, RI	2015-11-23	Graduated from The Met in 2010
Ginalys Velazquez	Providence, RI	2015-11-24	I w

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My name is Christopher Arias, and I am an alum of the Met High School. Thank you for all that you do for Rhode Island. I am writing to ask for your support of The Metropolitan Regional Career and Technical Center (The Met). The Met is important to me and my family and to the community, and I am concerned about the financial challenges they are facing.

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However, The Met faces many challenges and needs your support. As a state-operated career and technical school, The Met relies on sufficient funding from the state to support the unique needs of the innovative programs and its students.

Here's why the Met is so important to me: As a transfer student from Classical H.S., I came in as a unmotivated and emotionally unstable learner. In a 2 yr short year I've formed powerful friends bonds and I'm in a much much better place than I was, thanks to the Met, it's students, and staff.

I invite you to visit The Met to see the great work being done to prepare students for post-secondary schooling and careers. I appreciate your open perspective on this matter as you review the funding formula. We are depending on your help to ensure innovative career and technical education. *We want to be sure the Met stays strong for future generations of Rhode Islanders!*

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Christopher Arias

Met Alum

459 Montan Ave


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November 13, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

The Met has helped me to find who I am. It helped me find my passion and to make me feel more confident and prepared when it came to applying and attending college. This school gave me opportunities that I never thought I would be able to have. With the help of The Met I was able to take a business course that taught me about marketing, how to create a business plan and the ability to create my own business. Not only did I gain the knowledge but I also was able to put it into action. The Met gave me the opportunity to present my business plan to real investors. The Met allowed me to experience learning in a different way, both hands on and academically. The Met has made me who I am today. I am a first generation college student and I couldn't have done it without the support of The Met and its staff.

Thank you,


Carlos Hernandez

Date 11-16-15**Dear Governor Raimondo and the Education Funding Formula Working Group,**

My name is Carolina Salgado, and I am an alum of the Met High School. Thank you for all that you do for Rhode Island. I am writing to ask for your support of The Metropolitan Regional Career and Technical Center (The Met). The Met is important to me and my family and to the community, and I am concerned about the financial challenges they are facing.

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Thank you for your time and consideration,

Rosalina Torres

Met Alum

66 Melissa St. Providence RI 02909

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Rafael Adames
Met Alum

369 Northup St, Cranston RI 02905
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Kylin Johnson
Met Alum

82 Lynch St Providence RI 02908
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Date 11/16/15

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Joshua Sosa

Met Alum

140 Fish St. Providence R.I. 02905

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Date 11/16/2015**Dear Governor Raimondo and the Education Funding Formula Working Group,**

My name is Kimberly Middlemiss, and I am an alum of the Met High School. Thank you for all that you do for Rhode Island. I am writing to ask for your support of The Metropolitan Regional Career and Technical Center (The Met). The Met is important to me and my family and to the community, and I am concerned about the financial challenges they are facing.

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Thank you for your time and consideration,

Kimberly Middlemiss
Met Alum

376 Nonwood Avenue Warwick, RI, 02888
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Date 11/18/15

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Thank you for your time and consideration,

James Mariano
Met Alum

48 Pine Hill Rd. Johnston, R.I 02919
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My name is Khalil Ferguson, and I am an alum of the Met High School. Thank you for all that you do for Rhode Island. I am writing to ask for your support of The Metropolitan Regional Career and Technical Center (The Met). The Met is important to me and my family and to the community, and I am concerned about the financial challenges they are facing.

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Thank you for your time and consideration,

Khalil T. Ferguson
Met Alum

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Address

Date November 18, 2015**Dear Governor Raimondo and the Education Funding Formula Working Group,**

My name is Allison Turbitt, and I am an alum of the Met High School. Thank you for all that you do for Rhode Island. I am writing to ask for your support of The Metropolitan Regional Career and Technical Center (The Met). The Met is important to me and my family and to the community, and I am concerned about the financial challenges they are facing.

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Here's why the Met is so important to me: I got help in talking to more people and coming out of my shell. I got to go on cool field trips like the Holocaust Museum in Washington DC. I had the same advisor for 3 years so I didn't feel uncomfortable with each passing year, and the staff here is really awesome.

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Allison Turbitt
Met Alum

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Date 1/17/15

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Here's why the Met is so important to me: I am an alum and the met has helped me better myself as a person. My brother who is currently in the met has improved so much. It proves that the met can help students succeed.

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Thank you for your time and consideration,

Chantal Jordan

Met Alum

110 Gray St

Address

Date 11-18-15

Dear Governor Raimondo and the Education Funding Formula Working Group,

My name is Maleeka Palmisciano, and I am an alum of the Met High School. Thank you for all that you do for Rhode Island. I am writing to ask for your support of The Metropolitan Regional Career and Technical Center (The Met). The Met is important to me and my family and to the community, and I am concerned about the financial challenges they are facing.

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Here's why the Met is so important to me: I Struggled alot throughout Jr. High. Coming to the Met was the best thing that happend to me. If I would not have attended I would have never found the right career path. Finding a new way of learning through RWL rather than textbooks. Without the met I would have never graduated high school. By far the best experienc yet.

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Thank you for your time and consideration,

Maleeka Palmisciano

Met Alum

375 Douglas Turnpike Harrisville RI 02830

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Date 11/19/2015**Dear Governor Raimondo and the Education Funding Formula Working Group,**

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Here's why the Met is so important to me: if I did not attend the met I would not be in college right now. The met was the best thing I have ever done. I also was able to get two job opportunities from attending the met through my mentor, which is great because I pay for my schooling. Lastly, most important, I have a new family & home there

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60 Canonchet Ave, Warwick RI, 02888

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Julio R

Met Alum

31 on tar. o st Apt 11 Providence

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Met Alum

56 Lancaster St Apt 4 02908
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11/18/15

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Here's why the Met is so important to me: I went to this school and I have learned a lot. I mostly learned in our field trips. Most people think we go to field trips to have fun but, I disagree, most of our field trips that we had was educational. My class and others went to dozens of college visits and it also made it less difficult to choose a college or a university.

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Sheldon Egan
Met Alum

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Maria Gonzalez

Met Alum

18 Clare St. Providence, RI 02908

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Anthony Vasquez

Met Alum

190 Saratoga Ave

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Dear Governor Raimondo and the Education Funding Formula Working Group,

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Valentin Taveras

Met Alum

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Jasmine Lopez
Met Alum

128 Sutton St. Prov. RI 02902
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Janeelly Rodriguez

Met Alum

125 Suffolk St, 02908, Providence, R.I

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Annur Desrosiers
Met Alum

8 Grove Street 2nd Floor Apt.
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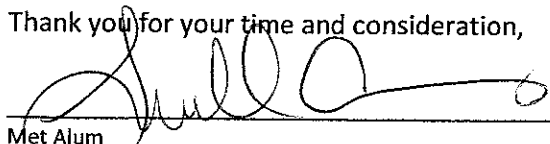
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Date 02/11-17-15

Dear Governor Raimondo and the Education Funding Formula Working Group,

My name is Catherine Butler, and I am an alum of the Met High School. Thank you for all that you do for Rhode Island. I am writing to ask for your support of The Metropolitan Regional Career and Technical Center (The Met). The Met is important to me and my family and to the community, and I am concerned about the financial challenges they are facing.

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Catherine Butler

Met Alum

7 Ranger Road Newport, RI

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Date Nov 17th, 2015

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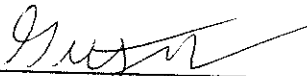
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Met Alum

86 Edgemere Ave Providence RI

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Thank you for your time and consideration,

Jamonte Washington

Met Alum

18 Stoddish Avenue Providence, RI 02908

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Dear Governor Raimondo and the Education Funding Formula Working Group,

My name is Katelyn Melo, and I am an alum of the Met High School. Thank you for all that you do for Rhode Island. I am writing to ask for your support of The Metropolitan Regional Career and Technical Center (The Met). The Met is important to me and my family and to the community, and I am concerned about the financial challenges they are facing.

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Thank you for your time and consideration,

Katelyn Melo
Met Alum

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Date 11/16/2015

Dear Governor Raimondo and the Education Funding Formula Working Group,

My name is Tom Locker, and I am an alum of the Met High School. Thank you for all that you do for Rhode Island. I am writing to ask for your support of The Metropolitan Regional Career and Technical Center (The Met). The Met is important to me and my family and to the community, and I am concerned about the financial challenges they are facing.

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Here's why the Met is so important to me: The MET gave me opportunities that wouldn't otherwise be available to me at the HS in my town. I've blossomed so much at the MET and other students should be able to have the same opportunities to blossom like me

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Thank you for your time and consideration,

~~Tom~~ Tom Locker
Met Alum

5 Sherwood Terrace, Portsmouth, RI 02871
Address

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Dear Governor Raimondo and the Education Funding Formula Working Group,

My name is Kausha Sayithideh, and I am an alum of the Met High School. Thank you for all that you do for Rhode Island. I am writing to ask for your support of The Metropolitan Regional Career and Technical Center (The Met). The Met is important to me and my family and to the community, and I am concerned about the financial challenges they are facing.

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Thank you for your time and consideration,

Kausha Brown
Met Alum

402 Potters Ave
Address

Date 11/23/15

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My name is Ilse Patron, and I am an alum of the Met High School. Thank you for all that you do for Rhode Island. I am writing to ask for your support of The Metropolitan Regional Career and Technical Center (The Met). The Met is important to me and my family and to the community, and I am concerned about the financial challenges they are facing.

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Thank you for your time and consideration,

Ilse Patron

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39 Dorchester Ave. Providence RI.
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Here's why the Met is so important to me: I have never felt important to a school or teacher until I came to the Met. I feel safe, and have learned how to be gritty, with my work because of the effort the faculty has put into my education. I am learning a trade that I love, and I look forward to coming to school every day.

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Thank you for your time and consideration,

Emily King
Met Alum

2 Arlington St, Woonsocket RI
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Date 11-19-15

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Thank you for your time and consideration,

Alvin Rivera
Met Alum

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Alex Whitten
Met Alum

6 Shaw Dr.
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William Celano
Met Alum

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Eddy Lantigua
Met Alum

767 Broad St Prov RI 02907
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Stefany Agramonte
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164 - D June st.
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Katherine Agramonte

Met Alum

64 D June Street Providence, RI

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Thank you for your time and consideration,

Kyle Thompson
Met Alum

9 Christopher St
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Joshua Keremoff
Met Alum

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Roberto Pichardo

Met Alum

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Robert Cotton

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