

# DETROIT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Detroit Public Schools Parents, Staff and Suppliers:

As most of you know, the City of Detroit recently filed for Chapter 9 [protection] in the bankruptcy courts. There have been many inquiries and questions about the impact of the City's filing on Detroit Public Schools.

It is important that everyone knows Detroit Public Schools is a separate and distinct local unit of government with our own taxing authority, source of revenues and governance, and that the City's bankruptcy filing does not directly impact the District, its operations or its finances.

The financial relationship between Detroit Public Schools and the City of Detroit is quite limited with the City serving only as a collector of taxes for the District, and it has no rights to - or claims on - those funds. Detroit's Mayor, the Emergency Manager of the City and Detroit City Council have no authority over the District.

Thank you for your continued support as we work toward a smooth opening of the 2013-14 school year.

Sincerely,



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