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Good Evening Board Members. My name is Sabrina Flores, and I am a proud 7th grader at A. Mario Loiederman Middle School. Recently I was fortunate enough to attend President Barack Obama's speech at the University of Maryland. During his speech he explained how, "Fire up. Ready to Go" came about. He said it all started with one person and that one person can make a change. That one person can change a city, and that city can change a county, that county can change a state, and that state can change a country, and that country can change the world.

At Loiederman, we have shown you that with your money and support, you have changed the life of not just one child, but many children. Because of the success of Loiederman and the MSMC program, study papers have been written about us including ones by Harvard and Vanderbilt Universities and the entire world now knows about Loiederman. When you search for Loiederman Middle School through Google.com, it produces over two hundred and ten thousand results. Who knows how many other lives you will touch and change? By keeping Loiederman fully funded, you will improve achievement for all students.

This Board has also shown that it listens and takes seriously the voices of children. That the voice of one child can change policy. Right now, standing in front of you, I am one child, I am one voice, and I am one student and yet I am also the voice of many students.

The students of A. Mario Loiederman Middle School who are answering your call to action and we are fired up and ready to go.

With your help, we can continue to have innovative and challenging course options at Loiederman.

With your help, we can continue to have unique instruction styles and block schedules at Loiederman.

With your help, we can continue to have a built in professional development period at Loiederman.

With your help, we can continue to make Loiederman the number one choice among application Middle Schools.

With your help, we can continue to produce benefits for the entire MCPS and surrounding community.

And, with your help, we can change the world.

Thank you.