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LOCAL PRO-IMMIGRANT GROUPS PUSH DPS SCHOOL BOARD FOR SANCTUARY RESOLUTION

Denver, CO – Local pro-immigrant groups will be rallying outside the Denver Public School board meeting this Thursday to push for a resolution to make schools in the district sanctuary campuses.

Padres & Jóvenes Unidos, Mi Familia Vota, Colorado People's Alliance, American Friends Service Committee, FRESA: Good Jobs, Strong Communities & Colorado Immigrant Rights Coalition are pushing the school board to pass a resolution to protect the undocumented students and families from the threats coming from the Trump Administration. Immediately after the rally parents, students, teachers, faith leaders, and members of the community will give public comment in support of the resolution. The school board is expected to introduce this resolution during this meeting.

Padres & Jóvenes Unidos youth leader Mayra Evangelista will address the board tomorrow to say, "The livelihood of our communities is at stake. If students and parents are not safe in pursuing their education, where can they be safe?"

Eloisa Gonzalez, a mother and member of Padres & Jóvenes, will add, "We need to have faith that our children are free to study and learn without facing intimidation or feeling anxious for no reason. Our children are listening and watching."

WHAT: "Ensure that Our Schools are Sanctuaries" Rally outside of the Denver Public School Board Meeting

WHO: Mayra Evangelista, Youth Leader, Padres & Jóvenes Unidos
Tania Chairez, Organizer, Padres & Jóvenes Unidos
Eloisa Gonzalez, Mother, Padres & Jóvenes Unidos Member

WHEN: 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM, Thursday, February 16, 2017

WHERE: Emily Griffith High School, 1860 Lincoln St. Denver CO 80203

VISUAL: Supporters will hold signs and picket outside the Emily Griffith High School building and Tania Chairez will address the crowd.