

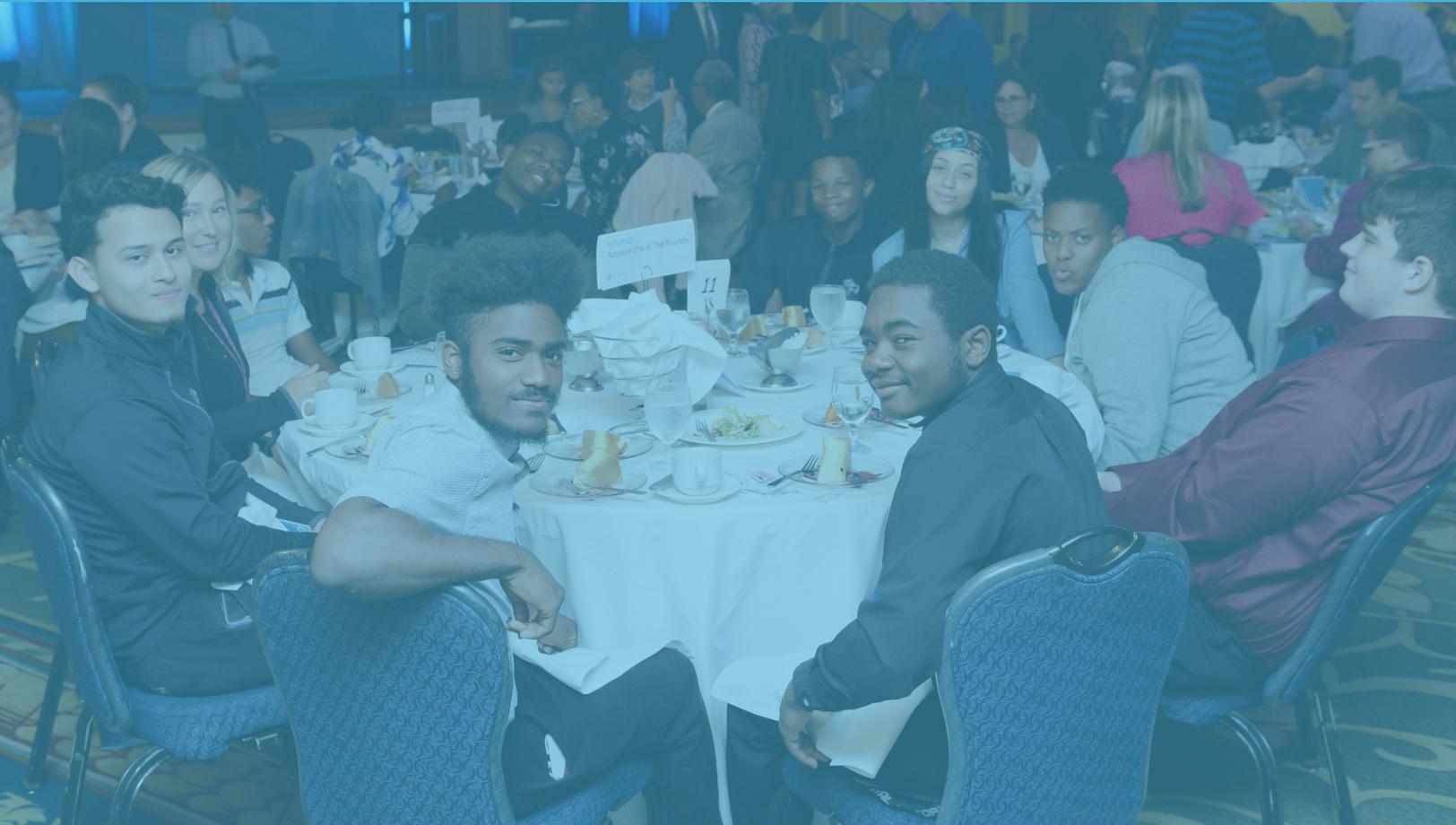
THE CITY CLUB OF CLEVELAND



HELPING DEMOCRACY THRIVE

2021 STATE OF SCHOOLS

Wednesday, Sept. 22, 2021 at 12 p.m.





The annual tradition of hearing from CMSD CEO Eric S. Gordon, leader of the region's largest public school district – a district whose improvement many believe is key to the future success of our city and region.

Last summer, the Cleveland Metropolitan School District (CMSD) made the decision to offer remote learning for the first nine weeks of the fall semester. It was no small feat – after Governor DeWine closed schools last March, CEO Eric Gordon had to bridge the digital divide and assure connections for nearly 38,000 students in one of the nation's poorest and worst-connected cities. But by the time school resumed that fall, CMSD projected to be close to a “one-to-one environment,” with one device for every student that needs one, based on the surveyed estimate of need.

Join us for the annual tradition of hearing from Eric S. Gordon as he discusses the current challenges facing the district, the work being done to confront those challenges, and his plans for the future.

SPEAKER

Eric S. Gordon
CEO,
Cleveland Metropolitan
School District



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- Once acknowledged and motioned over, walk to the microphone holder on your side of the room. The speaker does not call on audience members.
- One question per person. Make sure your question is an actual question, not a statement. Keep your question short, no follow-ups. This will allow us to fit in as many questions as possible.
- Please don't grab the microphone. This is to ensure that we are getting the best audio recording. We are recording this program, so please speak directly into the microphone.
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2021 State of Schools.



UPCOMING FORUMS

Friday, Sept. 24 at 12 p.m. In-Person Forum **From Policy to Progress: Partnering to Create Equitable Community Development**

The influx of federal funds amid the coronavirus pandemic has reminded us of the power of a robust response to crisis, but funding is just one way government, policymakers, philanthropists and other organizations can influence how communities evolve. Thoughtful policy implemented well in our regions and communities can be the determining factor in successful, equitable community development. Over the last nine months, we've been joining with the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy to celebrate their 75th anniversary with a series of forums.

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Friday, Oct. 1 at 12 p.m. In-Person Forum **Giving Power to Community Voice**

After two decades in community development, Timothy L. Tramble Sr. became the President and CEO of the Saint Luke's Foundation in June 2020, taking the helm of a private foundation that has been investing in the neighborhoods of Woodhill, Buckeye-Shaker, and Mount Pleasant, and throughout Cuyahoga County for over two decades. In the last year, the foundation has rolled out two initiatives that center on shifting power to those they intend on uplifting by involving the community in decision making--Lift Every Voice 216, and the Resident Advancement Committee.

Thursday, Oct. 7 at 12 p.m. Virtual Forum **Journalism and the Environmental Movement: Amplifying Voices Through Local Action**

In Cleveland and across the country, decades of deliberately racist policies and planning decisions have caused tremendous environmental harm to Black, Indigenous and People of Color (BIPOC) communities. Racial injustice, environmental injustice and the health of our democracy are inextricably linked. However, communities are not powerless to change their circumstances and confront environmental and racial injustices. So how can nonprofit organizations, journalists, and the philanthropic sector come together to support environmental justice reporting projects?

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