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## **Dr. Driver & MPS deserve due credit for MPS turnaround efforts**

**Statement of President Ashanti Hamilton  
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The recent news that Milwaukee Public Schools have won a reprieve from state intervention is a credit to the hard work and dedication of Superintendent Dr. Darienne Driver, the Board of School Directors, board President Mark Sain, the district's teachers and administration, parents and community advocates. Thanks to their tough decisions and a commitment to providing quality education to our children, Milwaukee Public Schools were able to meet criteria and benchmarks for improvement necessary to avoid mandatory participation in the state-imposed Opportunity Schools Partnership Program.

While the policy conversation continues around education reform, city schools are at the vanguard of changes in the way we shape our young people and reshape urban education. With hardworking teachers and an intense focus on academics, the city is dedicated to working with MPS to continue to make gains in improving student achievement.

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