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**Wells Fargo Grant Funds “Lights On Afterschool” Program at 15 DPS Schools**Students, parents and educators join to celebrate Wells Fargo’s donation at Bryant Webster K-8

**DENVER**– On Tuesday, November 27, 2018, Wells Fargo leadership will join Bryant Webster K-8 students during Bryant Webster’s “Lights On Afterschool” program. The visit celebrates Wells Fargo’s continuous investment in afterschool programming at 15 high-need schools in the Denver Public Schools system, collectively serving more than 3,600 students.

Chris Nehren, Wells Fargo Denver district manager, will present a $150,000 check to the DPS Foundation. Following the check presentation, Wells Fargo employees will join students as they present their first trimester projects.

The benefits of afterschool programming are well-documented, particularly for students in need. According to Afterschool Alliance, afterschool programming provides students with a safe place to be after the school day ends. It also helps kids stay in school by providing assistance with homework, and offering more opportunities for reading, writing, science and math learning. These programs help families as well, by allowing working parents to work without worrying about their children being alone during the critical hours from 3-6 p.m. when they are most vulnerable to getting in trouble due to lack of supervision.

“With funding shifting to other areas, we are particularly grateful for the support of afterschool programs,” said DPS Foundation President and CEO Verónica Figoli. “Studies show that afterschool programs improve students’ behavior and increases school attendance. Thank you to our longtime partner, Wells Fargo, for this incredible investment in our students. Because of their support, 3,600 DPS students are taking part in the ‘Lights On Afterschool’ program in 2018-19. We are grateful to Wells Fargo for continuing to put our students first.”

“We believe that every child in our community can have a bright future,” said Keith Lobis, Denver region bank president. “Wells Fargo is proud to invest in tomorrow’s future and support DPS in their mission to provide students with a safe place to learn and grow after school.”

Media are invited to join the celebration on Tuesday, November 27 from 3:30 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

Event Location:

Bryant Webster K-8

3635 Quivas Street
Denver, CO 80211

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