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**SUPERINTENDENT ROUHANIFARD ANNOUNCES
COMMUNITY MEETINGS TO DISCUSS THE CAMDEN
COMMITMENT, PLAN FOR IMPROVING SCHOOLS**

*Seeking Feedback from Families, Educators, and General Public about
City's Progress toward Excellent Schools in Safe, Modern Facilities*

February 10, Office of the Superintendent, Camden, NJ – Camden Public Schools Superintendent Paymon Rouhanifard today announced a series of community meetings that will be held across the city next week. The announcement follows last month's release of [The Camden Commitment](#), the city's long-term district improvement plan, and the Superintendent's pledge for public input at every stage of its rollout. The meetings will focus on how Camden Public Schools can better ensure that all students attend an excellent school in a safe, modern facility.

The agenda will include presentations by Uncommon Schools and Mastery Charter Schools, which have applied but not yet been approved to start Renaissance Schools—hybrid district-charter schools that provide a seat to every student in their neighborhood. The meetings will also include discussions on safety, family engagement, and teaching and learning.

“Together, we built a comprehensive plan for improving the district, but without continued input and support from the people who will most be affected—students, families, and educators—no plan will succeed,” Rouhanifard said. “I’m looking forward tremendously to talking at more length about our vision for change in these meetings and learning from the response.”

The following meetings will run from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Dinner will be served at 5:00 p.m.

- Wednesday, February 19 – H.B. Wilson Family School, 2250 S. 8th Street
- Thursday, February 20 – R.C. Molina Elementary School, 601 Vine Street

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In addition, Camden Public Schools will hold two weekend meetings:

- Saturday, February 22 – Yorkship Elementary School, 1251 Collins Avenue, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
- Saturday, February 22 – Octavius V. Catto Family School, 3100 Westfield Avenue, 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Last month, after an extensive listening tour, Rouhanifard released the Camden Commitment, which outlined five promises based on community suggestions. The five promises include:

- Safe Students, Safe Schools
- 21st Century School Buildings
- Student Support, Great Teaching and Learning
- Serving Parents
- Integrity in the Central Office

Said Rouhanifard, “The feedback my team and I have heard is straightforward— families want schools that help their children succeed. I look forward to these valuable opportunities to discuss how we can make that happen for every student, in every school.”

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