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Unity Conference for Quality Public Education for All New Jersey's Children

High quality education is not a mystery. We know what it takes to educate our children. We want to make quality education happen for every child in every classroom in New Jersey.

The Governor's New School Funding Formula, right now being turned into legislation after a much-publicized "rolling out," as it currently stands poses serious threats to high quality education in Abbott and non-Abbott districts alike. At this moment, the outcome of the Lame Duck legislative process is unclear –BUT the need for all positive forces for education reform to come together to deal with school funding issues has never been clearer!

The New Jersey Education Organizing Collaborative (NJEOC), the Committee of Advocates (COA), and OC/OS, together with concerned organizations from around the state, will be holding a quality education conference on January 19, 2008. *The "Unity Conference for Quality Education for All New Jersey Children" will bring together parents and community members, educators, members of local school boards, and other stakeholders to educate communities across the state, to share our common great expectations about the elements of quality education and to forge a common strategy of how to fairly fund public schools throughout New Jersey.*

We invite your organization's participation as a co-sponsor of this event. A planning meeting is being held on January 3, 2008 at 6:30pm at the Eagleton Institute of Politics Rutgers New Brunswick.

To confirm your participation as a co-sponsor of this event, or if you would like more information, please contact Lesley Hirsch at lhirsch@edlawcenter.org or Lauren Wells at laurenwells@paterson-education.org.

A lite dinner will be served from 6:00pm until 6:30pm.