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Pittsburgh Public Schools Seeks Public Commentary on Final Draft of Strategic Plan

PITTSBURGH October 2, 2008 – Teachers, staff, administrators, parents and community members are invited to provide commentary on the Pittsburgh Public Schools Final Draft of the Strategic Plan. The Strategic Plan is designed to meet the flexible needs of the District as it continues to implement and deepen the work of *Excellence for All* across the next six years. Additionally, the plan, required by the Pennsylvania Department of Education, ensures the District remains on target for reaching the student achievement goals set by the State within its Accountability Plan for No Child Left Behind.

The Final Draft Plan of the Strategic Plan is available for public commentary through October 31, 2008. There are a number of ways to provide comment on the plan:

- **Visit the District's website** at www.pps.k12.pa.us/strategicplan, review the plan and complete the accompanying survey;
- Review a printed copy of the Final Draft Plan in Room 203 of the Board of Education's Administrative Offices, located at 341 Bellefield Avenue and complete a survey form by hand;
- Speak at the October 13th public hearing (Procedures for public hearings can be found online under the Board of Directors portion of the District's website: www.pps.k12.pa.us.

Public comment will be reviewed and considered in the Revised Final Draft of the Strategic Plan, which will be discussed at the Board's Education Meeting on November 4, 2008. The Board of Education is scheduled to vote on the Revised Final Draft Plan at its November 25, 2008, Legislative Session.

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