



# **Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors**

*Supervisor Marcelia Nicholson, 1st Vice-Chair, 5th District*

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## **Supervisor Nicholson Statement on Comments Disparaging MPS Students**

MILWAUKEE – County Supervisor Marcelia Nicholson released the following statement regarding a recent Right Wisconsin article that singled out students of Milwaukee Public Schools (MPS) for disparaging comments.

*“As a product of Milwaukee Public Schools and former MPS teacher, I am disgusted by the use of the word “convicts” to describe MPS students. This language not only degrades and dehumanizes some of the best and brightest children in our state - many of whom I have taught - but also perpetuates the hateful stereotype that inner city children are criminals, and therefore unworthy of respect.*

*“As an elected official it is my job to fight for everyone in our community, including our children, who are our greatest commodity. All students in Wisconsin - even those from the poorest ZIP codes - deserve more investment in their classrooms, their communities, and in their futures. All students are worthy of and deserve to be treated with dignity and respect.”*

*“Right Wisconsin owes all MPS students an apology. I stand with them in demanding one.”*

Supervisor Nicholson represents the 5th District and was an MPS educator for several years.

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