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Dear Community Partner,

I am writing to extend to our local businesses a heartfelt invitation to join us in supporting our Annual Social Justice Conference at Capital Preparatory Magnet School. This year, our virtual event is Saturday April 24, 2021. We are anticipating upwards of 300 participants and attendees.

Our conference theme this year is "Climb," in recognition of the challenges, adversity, and oppression that our community has overcome in this most challenging year. Together, we will continue to rise above. We would be honored by your participation and solidarity, as we promote social justice conversations that affect our children, families, and neighbors in the Greater Hartford area.

The Capital Prep Social Justice Conference serves three main purposes:

- To showcase exemplary student capstone social justice projects and provide an informed audience as our seniors compete for the honor of "distinction,"
- To support social justice progress in our community by providing a platform for trailblazers and advocacy groups to further their cause, and
- To help our budding Trailblazers find their voices as they discover their capacity to influence change.

How can your business participate? Our Virtual Social Justice website has a section dedicated to local businesses who support our students and their activism. For a \$25 contribution to our scholarship fund, we will provide your company logo and a link to your website or Facebook page. A \$50 donation will also include recognition of your business' support during our live streaming on April 24.

Please go to our [PTO EventBrite webpage](#) and click the green "Tickets" button to advertise and support our students. You may email Barbara Budaj at barbara.budaj@hartfordschools or call 860-918-5069 with any questions.

We value your partnership!

Best,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara M. Budaj".

Barbara M. Budaj
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Social Justice Conference Chair