Over two years ago, I proposed a commission to examine how education finance can be reformed to achieve equity. And on the evening of April 21, 2011, the U.S. Dept of Education's Equity and Excellence Commission will hold one of its first events in Silicon Valley. The Equity Commission represents an important step in the fight to obtain educational equity (not parity) for each child.

At a critical time in history, this Equity Commission is built to act. I am dedicated to proposing and passing legislation based on recommendations of the commission and have no doubt that together, we can transform the education system to better serve the learning needs of each child. Our children deserve nothing less.

I invite you to join me and other educators on April 21 in San Jose. More details to follow.

Please download the flyer here.