## Protect | ED Reminds School Districts Nationwide to Apply for Federal COVID-19 Funding

The deadline to apply for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is July 1, 2022

**Cincinnati, Ohio – (June 16, 2022)** – <u>Protect | ED</u>, a trusted indoor air quality consultant for the education sector, wants to get the word out to school districts to apply for <u>federal COVID-19 funding</u> before the application window closes.

The Federal Emergency Management (FEMA) grant funding will reimburse districts up to 100 percent for COVID-related expenses, including upgrades supporting enhanced indoor air quality.

Eligible districts must submit a COVID-19 Request for Public Assistance (RPA) by July 1, 2022. Once the RPA is submitted, applicants then have until December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022, to submit further project details. More information about the grant can be found <u>here</u>.

Protect |ED helps school leaders navigate federal grants and identify indoor air quality solutions that works best for their schools.

"Parents want to know school leaders are doing everything they can to ensure the health and well-being of their children in the classroom," said C.J. MacConnell, President and Co-Founder of Protect | ED. "Districts should not miss out on the opportunity to access funding resources to make vital improvements to enhance the quality of air in their schools. This is an area we know has been traditionally underfunded across the country. We look forward to working with districts who share our commitment to doing better for our students."

## Leaders in Clean Air

Protect|ED is perhaps most well-known for its air purification unit, the *WellAir Protect 900W with NanoStrike™ Technology.* The medical-grade equipment is ideal for the academic setting. The slim, lightweight unit can be easily mounted on a wall. It is movable, requires no installation costs and uses less energy than a light bulb. It also requires no maintenance, and its effectiveness does not degrade over time. It also is whisper quiet and won't disrupt the learning environment. *NanoStrike™* is 100 percent reimbursable if districts apply for this federal grant before the application window closes.

Over the course of a K-12 education, a child will spend more than 15,000 hours at school. Classrooms, cafeterias, libraries, and gymnasiums — even when cleaned to high standards — are reservoirs for biological and chemical contaminants. The U.S.'s K-12 education system has been plagued with poor air quality for decades and the rise of COVID-19 only compounded the issue.

While there are several technologies that capture pathogens such as allergens on the market (ie. HVAC filters), there are very few that actually eliminate harmful micro-organisms. The patented *NanoStrike™* technology is the ideal complement to filters to create a healthier educational environment for students

and faculty. The proven technology is rooted in science and has been embraced by the medical community for the past decade. The system is used by world-renowned medical institutions such as the Mayo Clinic and Cleveland Clinic.

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## About Protect | ED

All children deserve to learn in environments that are safe and healthy, while also nurturing their intellectual growth, social engagement and emotional well-being. As a trusted partner to school districts around the country, Protect |ED takes this responsibility seriously and works to support schools who share our commitment to improving the air our young people breathe daily. From offering medical grade air purification technology to PPE products, the Protect |ED team of medical and educational experts support and empower school communities to create healthier learning environments. For more information visit cleanairinschools.com

*Editor's Note:* Experienced interview subjects and expert resources from Protect | ED are available to discuss the importance of improving air quality in schools nationwide.