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Dear Secretary of State for Education

### **Funding Crisis at Bradfield School, Sheffield**

I am writing as a concerned parent after reading the information I received from Bradfield School where my child attends. I am shocked and alarmed by what I have read and wonder how such a poor funding situation can be allowed. Out of 3082 secondary school in the country only 42 receive less funding than Bradfield School.

I am writing to you as the Minister in charge of Education to ask you to do whatever you can to ensure Bradfield School gets the funding it needs. I understand that both at a national and local level the school has been disadvantaged and urgently needs more funds to be able to tackle a growing deficit. Bradfield School is a highly efficient school, so as a parent, I cannot understand why this unbearable situation is allowed to continue.

I fully agree with the rationale behind the new national funding formula. The school have set out what they need now and what they need from the new formula; I would therefore ask you to support the school's position as follows:

- 1. No reduction in the proportion of school funding to be delivered through the basic entitlement as this will be fairer for all schools.**
- 2. A roll-out plan that accelerates correcting the funding imbalance for the most underfunded schools.**
- 3. An immediate injection of funds to help schools, like Bradfield School, which are under intolerable financial pressure due to inadequate funding over a number of years caused by the minimum funding guarantee and unfunded rises in employers NI, pensions and national salary rises.**

Bradfield School is a good school and it must continue to be so. I am worried that the quality of education for my child will suffer as a result of this funding crisis. Please help ensure our young people will not continue to be let down by this unfairness.

Yours sincerely,