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***GFOA Announces Members of Alliance for Excellence in School Budgeting***

(Chicago, Illinois— September 14, 2015) The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) announced the members of its Alliance for Excellence in School Budgeting. The Alliance is composed of 35 school districts working with the GFOA to implement the Best Practices in School Budgeting. Alliance members include districts from 21 states across the US serving anywhere from a thousand students up to several hundred thousand students.

Alliance members include:

<b>AZ</b>	Amphitheater Public Schools	<b>NJ</b>	Elizabeth Public Schools
<b>CA</b>	Hayward Unified School District	<b>NY</b>	Rochester City School District
	Pomona Unified School District	<b>OH</b>	Bexley City School District
	Santa Ana Unified School District		Columbus City Schools
	Tracy Unified School District		Dayton City School District
<b>CO</b>	Boulder Valley School District	<b>OR</b>	Beaverton School District
	Moffat County School District		North Bend School District
<b>FL</b>	Lake County Schools		Portland Public Schools
	Miami-Dade County Public Schools		Tigard-Tualatin School District
<b>GA</b>	Fulton County School System		Willamette Education Service District
<b>IL</b>	St. Charles Community Unit School District 303	<b>PA</b>	Upper Moreland School District
<b>IA</b>	Des Moines Public Schools	<b>TX</b>	DeSoto Independent School District
<b>KY</b>	Fayette County Public Schools		Wylie Independent School District
<b>LA</b>	DeSoto Parish School System	<b>VA</b>	Goochland County Public Schools
<b>MD</b>	Howard County Public School System		Hanover County Public Schools
<b>MI</b>	St. Johns Public Schools	<b>WA</b>	Bellevue School District
	Traverse City Area Public Schools	<b>WI</b>	School District of Fort Atkinson
<b>NE</b>	Beatrice Public Schools		

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The Best Practices in School Budgeting outline a budget process that centers on aligning resources with areas of greatest impact on student achievement Alliance members will be working on the implementing the Best Practices over the next year with support from GFOA in the form of collaborative meetings, newly developed eLearnings, and other supports. The GFOA will begin recruiting members for the next phase of the Alliance in early 2016.

For more information on the Alliance, the Best Practices or any other information regarding the project please contact Mike Mucha, Director of Research and Consulting, at mmucha@gfoa.org; 312/578-2282. More information on the project is also available on GFOA's website - <http://www.gfoa.org/k-12-budget>.

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