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**STATEMENT FROM MAYOR EMANUEL ON 2017 US NEWS AND WORLD REPORT RANKING 7  
CPS SCHOOLS AMONG TOP TEN IN THE STATE**

"Congratulations to Chicago Public Schools for more well-deserved national recognition! Northside College Prep, Payton College Prep, and Jones College Prep were acknowledged by U.S. News and World Report as the three best high schools in Illinois, and seven of the top ten high schools in Illinois are here in Chicago. Despite a discriminatory state funding formula that treats Chicago students as second-class citizens, and a governor who has not introduced a balanced budget in over two years while wreaking havoc on education funding from Pre-K to college, Chicago schools and students continue to beat the odds and break new records every year. CPS students, teachers, principals and families deserve tremendous credit for their hard work, talent and unwavering commitment to academic success."

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