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LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

We applaud the legislature's effort to provide more adequate and equitable funding for school districts. We ask the legislature to continue to attend to its paramount duty to provide full funding and support for basic education in the state of Washington. We look forward to working with you to advance the state's commitment to public education and to engage students and parents in decision making.

Fully Fund Basic Education



- Address the significant underfunding of allocations for Materials, Supplies and Operating Costs (MSOCs).
- Fund the full cost of providing special education services.
- Fix the pupil transportation formula to ensure it is more transparent, predictable and adequately funded.

Ensure Student Safety and Academic Success



- Update staffing ratios in the Prototypical School Funding Model to amply fund instructional staff, support staff and administrative staff.
- Amply fund the implementation of multi-tiered systems of support for behavior and academics.
- Support and fund Career and Technical Education, Highly Capable and Accelerated Programs.

Enhance Local Support and Local Control



- Require new K-12 legislation to include estimated fiscal impact and eliminate mandates if no new funding is appropriated.
- Support legislation that promotes local Board authority and control.
- Amply fund Local Effort Assistance (LEA) and reform levy authority.

Support Capital Facilities



- Update the School Construction Assistance Program (SCAP) funding formula from pre-1979 standards to reflect actual construction costs, educational needs and legislative class-size languages.
- Propose a constitutional amendment to eliminate the supermajority requirement and allow for simple majority passage of school construction bonds.

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Our Mission

To provide a safe environment in which all students reach their highest potential and graduate well prepared for success in post-secondary education, work and life.