



CHANDLER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 80

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After careful review, the Chandler Unified School District governing board resolves that the proposed gubernatorial budget, if enacted, continues to degrade the ability of Arizona school districts to provide an excellent education for all students. The proposed state budget will cut \$6 million from Chandler Unified School district funding. This is in addition to the already enacted district cuts of over \$36 million the past five years. At the same time, proposals to arbitrarily cut essential "outside the classroom" funding jeopardizes support functions required to maintain a safe, healthy and effective school environment.

The Chandler Unified School District governing board also resolves that proposed measures, such as HB2303, constitute micro management by state government that removes local community control of school operations contrary to the wishes of local citizens. For example, over 94 percent of the 50,000+ parents in the district support the current school start schedule, which would be radically changed by HB2303, with no justification, producing significant disruption to parents and staff members.

The Chandler Unified School District governing board opposes the proposed budget legislation. We urge the Governor and the Arizona legislature to reconsider these proposals, which we strongly believe will be harmful to our education system, students, parents and district staff. We request that our schools be properly funded and we reject any measures that reduce local community control of our schools.

The Chandler Unified School District governing board also urges district parents, staff and community members to contact their Legislators and the Governor and ask them to properly fund the district and to reject measures that reduce local community control of their school district.

As discussed, approved and signed this 25th day of February 2015.

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