



STOP LAYOFFS and FULLY FUND SEATTLE SCHOOLS

What can you do about the \$74 million shortfall?

Unless the Washington State Legislature takes action quickly, this budget shortfall will cause significant damage by necessitating cuts at schools and to needed central services, disrupting the stability of school communities and support of the whole child.

We need your help to encourage State leaders to make good on the promises made to fully fund our schools. This is the year to finally fulfill the paramount duty, and amply fund basic education.

Call Legislators and Governor Inslee with this simple message:

"Seattle students, parents and teachers need you to act by March 2017 to extend the "levy cliff" AND fully fund compensation for the 2017-18 school year. Without your swift action, our schools will sustain deep budget cuts. The school district will spend precious resources laying off skilled teachers and staff and cutting vital programs, many of which are mandated by State laws. Please do not allow our kids' education to be disrupted this year and next, while you continue to fully comply with your paramount duty to amply fund basic education by September 1, 2018. I urge you to fulfill the promise of amply funding basic education in Washington per the WA State Supreme court McCleary decision."

CALL Governor Jay Inslee: [360-902-4111](tel:360-902-4111) TTY/TDD [1-800-833-6388](tel:1-800-833-6388)

CALL the legislative hotline to send a message to your legislators: [800.562.6000](tel:800-562-6000)

Write a personalized letter or send a postcard:

Personalized letters and e-mails are impactful, as are postcards. Seattle Council PTSA has created postcards that everyone can send to their legislators and the governor. Postcards can be printed (use 110 lb. card stock) from the scptsa.org/advocacy page.

Governor Jay Inslee, Office of the Governor
PO Box 40002
Olympia, WA 98504-0002
or **email form:** <https://fortress.wa.gov/es/governor/>

Find your Legislator: <http://app.leg.wa.gov/DistrictFinder/>

Find your Legislator's mailing address: <http://app.leg.wa.gov/Rosters/Members>

Legislator email address format is: first.last@leg.wa.gov

Contact Eden Mack, SCPTSA legislative chair at legchair@scptsa.org or 206-240-6648 with any questions, or if you would like to become more involved in PTA legislative advocacy efforts.

(Please note: School district resources cannot be used for PTA legislative advocacy. Do not distribute postcards or this flyer through "kidmail" or official school district newsletters.)

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