

May 25, 2021

Representative Jeremy Thiesfeldt  
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Senator Dan Feyen  
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Dear Rep. Thiesfeldt & Sen. Feyen,

We are writing to you both to ask you to please support the inclusion of the following items in the 2021-23 biennial budget.

1. Provide a per-pupil general revenue increase in each year of the biennium of at least \$200. Providing predictable and sustainable revenues through the funding formula will have a significant impact on students and the educational program in the Fond du Lac School District.

The District has been using federal stimulus funds to mitigate the immediate impact of COVID-19, however as these funds are a one-time infusion of resources, the need for a sustainable funding formula is critical.

2. Support the inclusion of comprehensive pupil count mitigation by:
  - a. Allowing districts to use the greater of the 2019-20 or 2020-21 pupil count for revenue limit calculations.
  - b. Increasing special adjustment aid from 85% to 90% of prior general aid each year of the biennium.
  - c. Treat non-recurring declining enrollment exemption and base revenue hold harmless as recurring adjustment for one year only.
3. Increase special education aid to 50% of aidable costs by the end of the biennium.

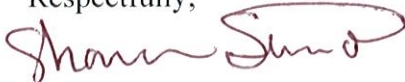


*The mission of the Fond du Lac School District, in partnership with the family and the community, is to promote high achievement and foster the continuous growth of the whole child, so that each becomes a creative, contributing citizen in a global society by providing personalized learning opportunities in a safe, nurturing environment.*

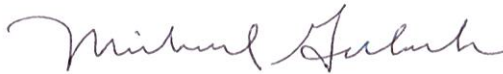
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4. Set the low revenue ceiling (LRC) at 90 percent of the statewide average maximum revenue limit per student. The current LRC amount of \$10,000 is 87.3 percent of the current state average revenue limit of \$11,450. Support for low revenue ceiling adjustments in the past budget biennium have had a significant positive impact on the Fond du Lac School District.

Respectfully,



Sharon Simon  
Interim Superintendent



Michael Gerlach  
Director of Business Services