How would the potential 2013-15 State School Fund Levels impact YOUR Local School District?

**EUGENE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**$6.150 Crisis Budget**

A funding level of $6.15 billion creates an estimated $19 million budget shortfall in Eugene School District for 2013-14 after spending down reserves to below policy levels. This equates to losing 207 teachers, or cutting 40 days of school, next year.

Major cost drivers include a $5 million increase in PERS costs.

Potential budget cuts could include making further concessions in salaries and benefits, including furlough days, possible layoffs and reductions in programs and electives.

No matter how heroic the efforts of Eugene's teachers and staff, higher class sizes and fewer school days mean less individual attention for students with a negative impact on student performance – especially for students who need additional support and intervention to reach their potential.

**$6.550 Major Reductions**

A funding level of $6.55 billion would leave Eugene School District with a budget shortfall of approximately $14 million in 2013-14. This is the equivalent of losing 153 teachers, which would increase class size by an average of 7 students, or cutting 29 school days.

Potential budget cuts would include further concessions in salaries and benefits, possible layoffs and reductions in programs and electives.

We would again defer desperately needed investments in technology for students and teachers and postpone the acquisition of up-to-date textbooks and instructional materials.

All of these actions are on top of similar reductions that have been made annually for more than four years.

**$6.750 Continued Cuts**

A funding level of $6.75 billion would result in a budget deficit of approximately $11 million. This is the equivalent of losing 126 teachers or cutting 24 school days.

Eugene's budget challenges are exacerbated by a continuing decline in the revenue produced by our local option levy. Five years ago, it generated $14 million, but is projected to raise just $7 million next year.

The Eugene School Board will be faced with decisions about laying off staff, cutting school days, raising class sizes, reducing or eliminating programs, and/or spending down reserves to below policy levels to balance the budget. At this level, the cuts would be significant, but with the continued cooperation of our employee groups we would be able to reduce some of the impact on student learning by negotiating compensation adjustments.

**$6.895 Fragile Stability**

With a State School Fund of $6.895 billion, Eugene School District’s budget deficit would be approximately $10 million. This is the equivalent of losing 106 teachers or cutting 20 school days.

Our school board would still face difficult budget decisions, resulting in service levels that are at or reduced from today’s levels. Decisions include staff layoffs, cutting school days, raising class sizes, reducing or eliminating programs, and/or spending down reserves to below policy levels to balance the budget. With the continued cooperation of our employee groups we would be able to reduce some of the impact on student learning by negotiating compensation adjustments.