

HOW WILL POTENTIAL 2015-17 STATE SCHOOL FUND LEVELS IMPACT THE FUTURE OF OREGON STUDENTS?

ASTORIA SCHOOL DISTRICT

\$7.235 Billion

Underfunded Schools

CURRENT CO-CHAIRS' BUDGET LEVEL

Although Astoria School District is committed to provide full day kindergarten next year at this funding level, other programs that impact student learning will be reduced or eliminated.

The following will occur within the Astoria School District at a funding level of \$7.235 billion:

- Larger Class Sizes
- No Funding for Capital Improvement Projects
- Delay Maintenance Projects
- No New Math Curriculum
- No New Technology Purchases
- Reduction in Staff

This step backward will impact student learning in a negative way.

-\$118/
Student

\$7.5 Billion

Fragile Stability

This level of funding would allow Astoria School District to implement full day kindergarten next year and will barely allow us to maintain our current service level. We are currently below the level of service we provided to our students prior to 2008.

The funding level will not allow Astoria School District to provide strategic investments for our achievement gap (Hispanic Students and Students Living in Poverty). What message does this send to these students? Getting by on "good enough" will not inspire students.

The message that \$7.5 billion funding level is stating to the citizens of Oregon is that we accept an education in Oregon that is among the nation's shortest school years, highest class sizes, and lowest graduation rates.

+\$130/
Student

\$7.875 Billion

Improvement Trajectory

Funding at this level will enable Astoria School District to work toward continuous improvement and make a positive impact on student learning and specifically our achievement gap.

Specifically a funding level of \$7.875 Billion will allow us to accomplish:

- Positive steps for all 3rd grade students to read at grade level
- Adoption of new math curriculum aligned to new standards
- Decrease in class sizes K-12
- Increase Staffing for ELL
- Early learning opportunities
- Increase in CTE offerings for high school students
- Influx (badly needed) of technology to positively impact student learning in grades K-12
- Targeted efforts to improve graduation rates
- Deferred maintenance to provide safe facilities for students

This level of funding will have a positive impact not only on students but our local industry and economy.

+\$380/
Student

Oregon lags behind the nation in our investment in education. Bringing Oregon schools to the national average would require investment beyond \$7.875 Billion.

What would it take to bring Oregon schools up to the national average for:

instructional time
+\$450
Million

class size
+\$1.2
Billion

Help Us Build
The Schools
Our Students Deserve!

