

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

BEND - LA PINE SCHOOLS

\$7.235 Billion
Underfunded Schools

CURRENT CO-CHAIRS' BUDGET LEVEL

This budget will require a reduction of \$3.6 million from the projected costs of sustaining current staffing levels, current contracts lengths, opening of the two new schools, and implementation of full-day kindergarten.

Bend-La Pine Schools worked closely with teacher and classified associations and strategically with the Board and budget committee to weather the worst economic recession in US history and still emerge with significant gains in academic achievement and improved graduation rates. The financial implications were reduced school years, deferred or dropped salary increases, and reduction of numerous teachers, administrators, and support personnel.

**-\$85/
Student**

\$7.5 Billion
Fragile Stability

A funding level of \$7.5 billion is the break-even point to continue current service levels, open the two schools, and implement all-day kindergarten.

The improved investment by the Legislature for the 2013-15 biennium allowed for only partial restoration of the school days that were reduced, the contracts that were shortened, and the staffing positions that were cut. Meanwhile the district continues to grow by 200 to 350 students per year, is preparing to open two new schools in September 2015, and is preparing for universal full-day kindergarten.

**+\$130/
Student**

\$7.875 Billion
Improvement Trajectory

A funding level of \$7.875 billion would allow for strategic investment of approximately \$5 million towards restoration of pre-recession class sizes and a full school year, and restoration of some lost work time of employees.

Our Board would consider how to use those dollars to most effectively address its strategic goals for improvement of student outcomes.

**+\$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!**

