

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

PENDLETON SCHOOL DISTRICT

\$7.235 Billion

Underfunded Schools

CURRENT CO-CHAIRS' BUDGET LEVEL

The Co-Chairs' budget level would result in cuts of \$841,064 in 2015-16 and \$1,410,769 in 2016-17. In Pendleton we are committed to offering full day KG in the fall of 2015.

Unfortunately with this budget we'll be offering full day KG while at the same time increasing class sizes K-12 and eliminating programs at the secondary level. Six to eight teaching positions would likely be eliminated in 2015-16, and then ten to twelve teaching positions in 2016-17. At the end of the biennium we will have lost another 12% of our teaching force. We may also consider shortening the school year. Any gains we have made in our secondary STEM and CTE programs will be lost.

**-\$85/
Student**

\$7.5 Billion

Fragile Stability

At this funding level we would be forced to cut \$146,197 in 2015-16 and then \$684,768 in 2016-17.

Again, the elimination of K-12 teaching positions and elective programs at the secondary level would be necessary. Class sizes would increase, moving upward from our 2014-15 levels. To put this in context, we currently have an average of 29 students per 1st grade classroom in the Pendleton School District.

**+\$130/
Student**

\$7.875 Billion

Improvement Trajectory

This funding level would result in a surplus of \$837,752 in 2015-16 and \$338,796 in 2016-17.

This funding level would allow us to add teaching positions with a focus on impacting class size at the primary grade levels. The addition of three teachers in our primary grades would result in average class sizes of approximately 26 students per classroom in grades K-3.

Additionally, we would be able to enhance our STEM and Career Technical Education programs in grades six through twelve.

**+\$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!**

