



LEOMINSTER KIDS COUNT

Dear Governor Baker and Members of the State Legislature,

I am a proud parent of a child in the Leominster Public Schools and I count myself lucky for the excellent education my child receives in this urban, Gateway City.

The Leominster schools are already underfunded and the formula to calculate Chapter 70 state aid does not adequately provide funding for our schools. If there is no change it will be devastating to our students. We need funds:

- To properly finance our children living in poverty
- To provide technology for mandated online testing
- To reduce our large class sizes and maintain an excellent teaching staff
- To provide the educational materials and resources we can't afford
- To educate our English Language Learners
- To provide opportunity for our Special Education students
- To maintain the sports, clubs and extracurricular activities that are so important
- To ensure our students are college ready in a competitive marketplace

Please reconsider the formula for distributing state aid and allow for the providing of critical funds to our schools. By doing so, you send the message that **Leominster Kids Count**.

Sincerely,

_____, parent of a Leominster Public Schools _____
grader.

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