



LEOMINSTER KIDS COUNT

Dear Governor Baker and Members of the State Legislature,

I am a proud staff member in the Leominster Public Schools and I count myself lucky to be part of the excellent education the students receive 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, staff, and community. 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 our excellent teaching and support 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,

_____,
at _____, part of the Leominster Public School System.

Please add your own thoughts here:
