



LEOMINSTER KIDS COUNT

Dear Governor Baker and Members of the State Legislature,

I am a proud business owner in the City of Leominster and I appreciate the excellent education we are able to provide all children in our community.

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 students and the community
- 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,

_____, Business Owner

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