

October, 2007

Dear Rep./Sen. \_\_\_\_\_

The members of the \_\_\_\_\_ PTA/PTSA of West Allis - West Milwaukee were very pleased to learn that the Assembly Republican budget proposal mirrors Gov. Doyle's in many important ways. While it does not include all of his proposals, most notably that related to bilingual, bicultural education, it is a great step forward.

By all appearances, the Assembly Republicans' proposal is a wonderful example of what can be accomplished in the spirit of bipartisanship. We know that you share our hope that whatever budget is eventually adopted will be one in the best interests of students. While we understand that the state biennial budget has many facets, it was heartening to learn that public education apparently is not being used by the Assembly Republicans as a wedge issue.

As mentioned, Doyle's and the recently embraced Assembly Republicans' education budget proposal would be of great benefit to the students of the West Allis - West Milwaukee School District. Increases in special education categorical aid and safety-related grants, the continuation of SAGE, and the increase in the declining enrollment adjustments are all important to our school district.

Thank you for your efforts in this regard. We sincerely urge you and the other legislators to work together in the spirit of cooperation and concentrate on what is best for the students of West Allis - West Milwaukee and the State of Wisconsin. Doing so will allow us to meet the statutorily defined timelines related to the public education portion of the budget.

Sincerely,

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President  
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PTA/PTSA