

HOUSE DEMOCRATIC EDUCATION VISION

Funding a future for *all* kids



We have a plan to set up Michigan students and teachers with the investments they need to succeed. Our equitable education budget would ensure a bright future for every student. House Democrats' education investment vision leaves no student behind — no matter if you live in a busy city or a quiet village, no matter what your family income is, no matter how you learn best, no matter who you are — we're funding a future for *all* kids.

Ongoing Funding

- » **\$200 million** for the universal school meals program
- » Over **\$2.6 billion** for special education
- » Over **\$1 billion** for at-risk students
- » **\$25 million** towards mental health and school safety funding
- » **\$125 million** for school district transportation costs
- » Over **\$625 million** for the Great Start Readiness program
- » Over **\$12 million** for isolated and rural school districts
- » Over **\$50 million** for bilingual education
- » Almost **\$40 million** for career and technical education
- » Almost **\$25 million** for the Early On program

One-time Funding

- » **\$1.2 billion** for school infrastructure grants.
- » **\$300 million** for mental health and school safety funding.
- » **\$300 million** in literacy grants to school districts — this can be used for libraries, tutoring, orton-gillingham (a multisensory method of teaching literacy), LETRS, and more.
- » **\$500 million** for classroom size reduction grants. This is work projected and provides funding for 5 years to reduce classroom sizes to optimum levels. Funding could be used for hiring teachers, supporting teacher retention and recruitment, classroom improvements, and physical infrastructure.
- » **\$100 million** out of school time programs.

Per-pupil Funding

- » **\$11,400**

True equity in funding means every student has access to the unique set of tools they need to thrive, which is why our budget proposal includes investments in both the environmental supports that make sure every student can truly learn and funding for our teachers and the resources they'll use in the classroom. This means grants that can go towards improving literacy for our kids, funds to make class sizes smaller so students receive more individualized support, or investments to better support Michigan's dedicated teachers and even recruit more. We know students and teachers matter, and our budget vision reflects it.