

Legislative Advocacy

Presentation to Parent Groups
February - March 2019

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Agenda

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- Why advocate for public schools?
- 2019 Legislative Session
- School Board Legislative Priorities
- Key facts about school funding
- HSD funding needs
- Points of pride
- How you can help
- Q&A




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Purpose of this Presentation

- Ensure staff, parents, students, and community members understand the need for **additional funding for K-12 education**
- Encourage people to:
 - **Stay informed** about the progress of the 2019 Legislative Session
 - **Share their story** with elected officials
 - **Support elected officials** in their efforts to enact revenue reform for the betterment of schools




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"A Time to Listen"
 The Promise of Oregon
 campaign
PromisetoOregon.org


Our schools need to be fully and adequately funded.




HILLSBORO SCHOOL DISTRICT

2019 Legislative Session

- Began **Tuesday, Jan. 22, 2019** and is set to conclude by **Sunday, Jun. 30, 2019**
- Most important activity is to **set the state's budget for 2019-21**
 - K-12 **used to receive 45%** of the state's general fund budget, currently **down to 39%**
- Many opportunities to **attend committee meetings and hearings, submit written or provide public testimony**




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HILLSBORO SCHOOL DISTRICT

School Board Legislative Priorities

- Provide **stable and adequate funding** for K-12 education
- Actively and collaboratively seek **new funding mechanisms**
- Actively and collaboratively seek ways to **decrease cost-drivers**
- Ensure new requirements are **evidence-based and have their own funding**
- Support student success; fully fund Measure 98**



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Key Facts About School Funding

- Education is a **people-intensive business**, which means **more than 82% of our budget supports staff salary and benefits**
- As we saw in the Promise video, Ballot Measure 5 transferred the responsibility of funding K-12 education to the state without creating a funding source.
- The only way to **impact class size** in a meaningful way with local dollars is to pass a **local option levy**.



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Ten Year Look-Back on Funding

The last ten years have brought significant volatility to the U.S. and local economy, state-level revenue, K-12 funding, and to HSD's budget. Below is a table representing the major impacts to our District over that time span.

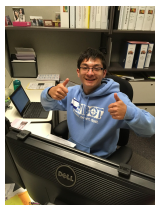
2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
-\$3.47M	-\$18.3M +\$8M	-\$8.3M	-\$18.9M	-\$8.15M +\$852K	-\$8.576M	+\$6.2M	+\$2.44M	-\$2.33M	-\$7.713M	-\$3.68M
0 days	-4 days +4 days* ("M56 & 67")	-6 days	-5 days	-5 days	-5 days +3 days* (Gain Share)	-1 day +1 day* ("Add'l. Gain Share")	0 days	0 days	0 days	0 days

Net reduction in roll-up costs of \$63.93M - **\$13.72M in last 3 years alone**
Net reduction of 18 days

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HSD Funding Needs

- To do the exact same things for the next two years that we are doing this year, we would need a statewide K-12 allocation of **\$9.462 billion**
 - What the state can fund today: **\$8.87 billion**
 - Governor's proposal: **\$8.972 billion** with another \$793 million to add school days and lower class sizes at grades K-3
 - Quality Education Model: **\$10.77 billion**



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HSD Points of Pride

- **On-time graduation rate** increases for the past four years, with 2018's rate at **84.47%** - **5.79 percentage points higher than State**
- More than **2,400** students learning in both English and Spanish through **Dual Language programs** in 10 schools
- **Wellness Centers in 15 schools**, offering a trauma-informed approach to learning
- Premier **Career and College Pathways** program, featuring programs like biotechnology, sustainable agriculture, construction technology, and many more



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How You Can Help

- Stay informed by visiting www.hsd.k12.or.us/budget, reading the latest articles and reviewing the resources provided
- Connect with elected officials - go to town hall events, e-mail, write letters, or visit Salem
- Participate in a lobby day or advocacy event (visit www.osba.org to learn more)
 - March for Our Students: Feb. 18, 10am, State Capitol
 - Town Hall: Feb. 20, 7-9pm, PCC Sylvania, Sci.Tech Bldg. 100
 - Lobby Day: Feb. 26, State Capitol
- Talk to your friends and neighbors and encourage their involvement

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Q&A

**Thank you for your
time and attention!**

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