



THE SCHOOL FINANCE RESEARCH COLLABORATIVE APPLAUDS GOV. WHITMER FOR MAKING EDUCATION A TOP PRIORITY IN HER BUDGET MESSAGE.

Gov. Whitmer's budget proposal is a significant step in the right direction toward fixing Michigan's broken school finance approach and helping Michigan's kids succeed. The Collaborative looks forward to working with Gov. Whitmer and lawmakers in both parties to change the way we fund schools so it helps kids succeed.

COLLABORATIVE MESSAGE

- ✓ The way we fund our schools is broken
- ✓ No one-size-fits-all approach to educating kids
- ✓ Fairness
- ✓ Accountability



“As a former special education teacher, I can tell you firsthand it requires additional support services to help Michigan's most vulnerable students meet our state's rigorous academic standards.”

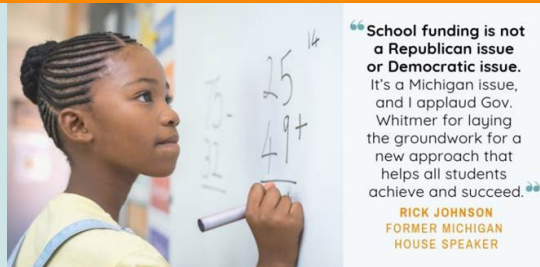
GILDA JACOBS, PRESIDENT AND CEO MICHIGAN LEAGUE FOR PUBLIC POLICY



“MICHIGANDERS OF ALL POLITICAL STRIPES AGREE THE WAY WE FUND MICHIGAN'S SCHOOLS IS UNFAIR AND NEEDS TO CHANGE.”

DR. WANDA COOK-ROBINSON
GILLIAN DANIELS SUPERINTENDENT

SCHOOL FINANCE RESEARCH COLLABORATIVE



“School funding is not a Republican issue or Democratic issue. It's a Michigan issue, and I applaud Gov. Whitmer for laying the groundwork for a new approach that helps all students achieve and succeed.”

RICK JOHNSON
FORMER MICHIGAN HOUSE SPEAKER



“We look forward to working with Gov. Whitmer on a new funding method that provides all students the same opportunity to get a high-quality education and compete for jobs.”

DR. WANDA COOK-ROBINSON
PROJECT DIRECTOR

BUDGET MESSAGE

- ✓ Significant step forward
- ✓ Expands access to pre-K statewide
- ✓ Weighted formula for:
 - Special education
 - At-risk students
 - Career and Technical Education
- ✓ Triples number of literacy coaches statewide
- ✓ Fairness

“Based on the recommendations of a recent report from the Michigan School Finance Research Collaborative, this budget includes a weighted funding system that will recognize the higher costs of educating students in these categories.”

— Gov. Gretchen Whitmer

VISIT FUNDMISCHOOLS.ORG TO VIEW THE FULL REPORT AND LEARN MORE