



Upper Township School District

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Dear Friends and Families of Upper Township:

Please accept this letter as our official request for your assistance in the efforts to preserve the integrity of all scholastic, athletic and social programs, activities and initiatives of the Upper Township School District.

While we continue to serve you and your children as responsible stewards of academic instruction and educational finances, the growing loss of additional State Aid WILL have a catastrophic impact on each of our schools. Simply put, the impending gashes in operations, programs, personnel and available services will decimate our District.

The projected loss of State Aid, within a seven-year period (2017-2023), for our District is approximately \$4.8 million. As a member of the advocacy group, Support Our Students (S.O.S.), whose mission is to ensure that the Governor and Legislature provide equitable funding for every student and school district in New Jersey, we are in dire need of your assistance.

To become actively involved, please consider the following:

1. Write/call/email the Governor's Office.
2. Write/call/email our State Legislators.
3. Attend upcoming S.O.S. rallies, meetings, social media campaigns.

We will continue to post updated financial facts and figures, sample letters, contact information, etc., regarding our budget and the status of SOS's progress on the District website. To easily access, simply click the [S.O.S. link](#) found under the "Announcements" section of the homepage.

We thank you in advance for your steadfast support, understanding and action. As always, please contact us with any additional questions or concerns.

With sincere humility and gratitude,

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Superintendent of Schools

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