



2021 Legislative Priorities



Our mission is to inspire, educate, and prepare each student to achieve to high standards, contribute to our community, and thrive in a global society.

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Act early in legislative session to maintain K-12 investments

Protect us from funding decreases solely due to the pandemic as our budget and staffing were built on full enrollment. Districts face cuts to general apportionment, transportation, and a lower levy cap for 2022.

Address the adverse impacts of the pandemic on physical health and social emotional needs of students

Provide stable funding for the staffing and material costs necessary to support a safe learning environment. Invest in the ongoing social emotional needs of students that have been worsened by the pandemic.

Send voters a constitutional amendment on simple majority for bonds

Change the 60 percent super-majority requirement for school district bond approvals to a simple majority. Washington is one of only 11 states requiring super majority.

We recognize the challenges of the significant state revenue shortfall and the difficult decisions ahead in the 2021 session. We urge the legislature to keep in mind the long-term K-12 needs that should be addressed as the economy recovers from this pandemic (e.g., special education, prototypical school model, and SEBB).