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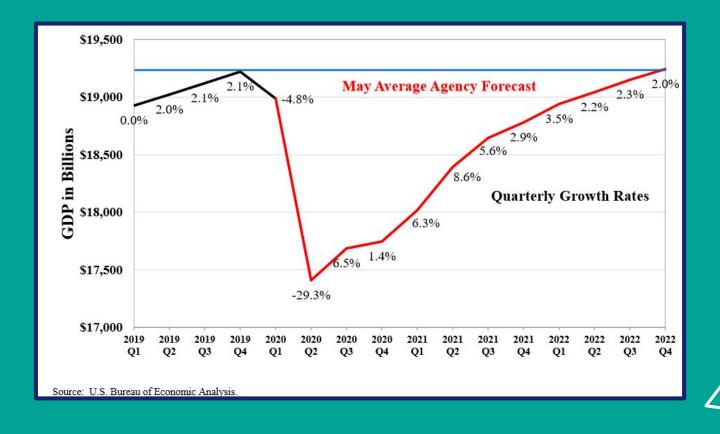


"Cutting the foundation grant is a last resort, but it's going to happen...the 10% level will not get the job done and the more likely target is "between 20% and 25%."

Senator Wayne Schmidt, K-12
Appropriations Chair

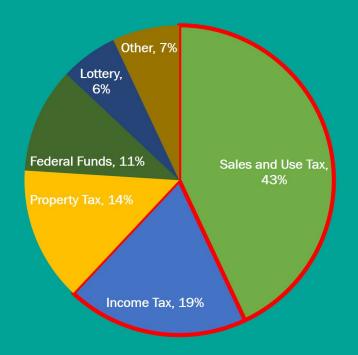


#### Dramatic economic impact from COVID-19



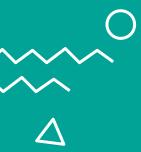
### School Funding attached to sales and income taxes

#### School Aid Fund Revenue Sources - FY2018



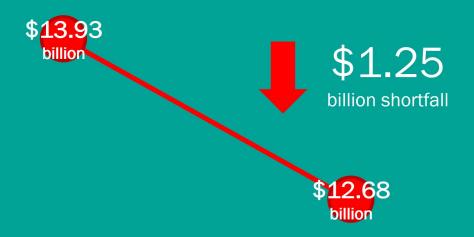




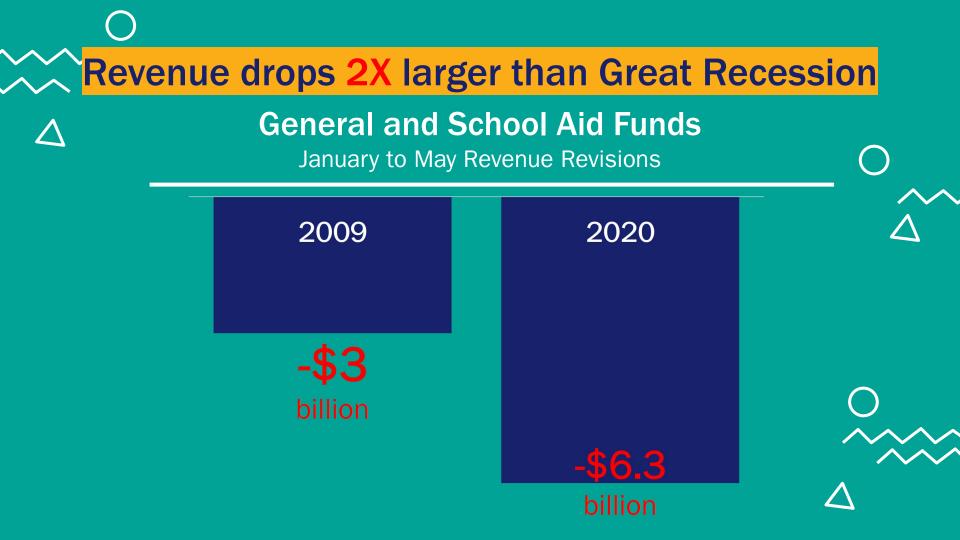


### \$1.25 billion shortfall for public schools

Michigan School Aid Fund - 2019-20









### Bottom line on budget for 2019-20



\$750

shortfall per student

Cuts to athletics, enrichment, student programming...

## Additional health and safety costs for schools

#### WHAT WILL IT COST TO REOPEN SCHOOLS?

This document estimates some of the expenses school districts may incur in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and as they plan to reopen for the 2020–2021 school year. These calculations assume the statistics of an average\* school district with 3,659 students, 8 school buildings, 183 classrooms, 329 staff members, and 40 school buses (transporting at 25% capacity, or 915 students, to comply with recommended social distancing guidelines).



ADHERING TO HEALTH MONITORING & CLEANING/ DISINFECTING PROTOCOLS

Hand sanitizers for students in classrooms

\$39.517

Disinfectant wipes for classrooms (four/day per classroom

\$16,833

No-touch thermomete (one per school)

\$640

Oximeter (one per school) \$360

Electrostatic disinfectant spraye

\$33,600

after a confirmed cas



HIRING STAFF TO IMPLEMENT HEALTH & SAFETY PROTOCOLS

Additional custodial staff for increased cleaning/disinfecting of schools and buses to prevent spread

\$448,000

Ensuring at least one FT/PT nurse in every public school

\$400,000

Ensuring one aide per bus to screen student temperatures before boarding

\$384,000



PROVIDING PERSONAL
PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT
(PPF)

Gloves for custodial staff (five pairs/day for two custodians per school

\$1,440

Daily disposable masks for in-school staff

\$44,415

Disposable masks for students who do not bring masks from home (est. 30% of students)

\$148,190



PROVIDING TRANSPORTATION & CHILD CARE

Resume before/after school childcare programs (with social distancing and cleaning protocols

\$168,750

Fog machines and cleaner for buses

\$55,860

Hand sanitizer fo

\$10,534

**Health + Safety Costs** 

\$490

per student

TOTAL ADDITIONAL EXPENSES AN AVERAGE\* DISTRICT MAY INCUR TO REOPEN: \$1,778,139

\*Costs will vary by district depending on many factors, including regional/market price as economy of scale (i.e.,





**CARES Act significantly smaller than ARRA** 

Public School Funding Allocations (in billions)





## Status on Congress

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States seeking flexibility with already allocated federal funds and providing additional funds.



US House passed HEROES Act - \$60 billion for schools



US Senator McConnell signals more dollars coming, including for schools



## **Superintendent's Perspective**

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Rockford
Public Schools

Dr. Mike Shibler



Kent City
Community Schools

Mike Weiler



Godfrey-Lee Public Schools

#### **Kevin Polston**





## Questions? Our Kids, Our Future





## Action steps so far...



#### Op-eds

...from <u>school community</u> to elected officials



...by <u>state lawmakers</u> on their support for public schools





#### Letters

...between state lawmakers and members of Congress

#### **Informational Resources**

...for <u>parents</u> and <u>community</u> members on the funding crisis





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**ACTION CENTER** 

None of us have experienced a crisis quite like the global COVID-19 pandemic. It is unquestionably one of the greatest challenges our nation has faced.

This crisis has also presented itself as a real threat to public education. We need you to sign this petition on behalf of our kids calling on Congress to

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Petition for Michigan Public

By signing this petition you're showing your support for our children. This petition and a list of supporters will be sent to members of Congress.



## We need your support!



#### Sign

...our online petition

#### Share

...messages through social media



#### Write

...your <u>member of</u>
<u>Congress</u> (pre-drafted)

#### Educate

...yourself on the funding crisis



## Thanks!





## Questions? **Chris Glass**

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