



Hello respected colleague,

I am proud of us for doing what it takes to be a Michigan Public Educator. This is not for the weak. Large class sizes, understaffing, and underresourced classrooms are the norm rather than the exception in our profession.

We've been the punching bag of the DeVoses and Rick Snyder, who have committed to making the 2026 election about education.

We stay in education because we love kids, but we don't have to stay silent. And we aren't powerless – despite what many of us feel.

What if I told you we - all 88,000 educators in the state - have the power to change the course for our kids and ourselves?

Right now, we have the opportunity to create a once-in-a-generation change for public education in Michigan. If every educator in the state were to collect 8 signatures, we would have school funding on the 2026 ballot.

The Invest in MI Kids ballot initiative is a constitutional amendment we are trying to get on the 2026 ballot to fund our schools across the state. It would add a 5% fair share surcharge to taxable income over \$500,000 for single filers and \$1 million for joint filers. The revenue generated – **more than \$1 billion annually** – would be deposited into the School Aid Fund and be required to be used on K-12 public school classrooms, reducing class sizes, recruiting and retaining teachers, and providing career and technical education.

WHAT WOULD THIS MEAN FOR US EDUCATORS?

SMALLER CLASS SIZES

HIGHER WAGES

MONEY FOR PROGRAMS

MORE FUNDING FOR OUR SCHOOLS

This is a no-brainer ballot initiative that will help us, our families, and our students.

Will you sign up to be a circulator?

Or will you stay silent and let Snyder and the DeVoses keep destroying our public schools?

In solidarity,

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