

# *Pennsylvania School Funding Campaign*

*Successful Schools...Successful Children...Successful Communities*

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The Pennsylvania School Funding Campaign is an unprecedented statewide coalition of individuals and organizations representing hundreds of thousands of parents, students, educators, school board members, administrators and other concerned citizens who support comprehensive, systemic reform of the state's public education funding system.

**The Pennsylvania General Assembly must maintain its commitment to the reform of school funding and fully fund that reform by 2014.**

- The Pennsylvania School Funding Campaign applauds the historic action taken by the General Assembly in 2008 to establish a fair and rational school funding formula based on its Costing-Out Study and to make significant investments in providing more equitable and adequate educational opportunities for Pennsylvania's children – in 2008-09 and again in 2009-10.

- The Pennsylvania School Funding Campaign calls on the Governor and the General Assembly to maintain their commitment to fully fund the adequacy targets established in Act 61 of 2008 by 2013-2014. *The state's greatest responsibility is to assure that every child has a high quality public education.*

- The Pennsylvania School Funding Campaign recognizes that in difficult economic times our best investment to stimulate the Commonwealth's future economic growth is in today's young people. Adequately funding all of our public schools alleviates pressure on local property taxes, ensures important programs remain available to students, and is a strategic investment in preparing our future workforce.

The Commonwealth has started down a six-year path to provide all our children the quality education they will need to realize their future potential. Our children deserve no less. Research-based investments in our schools today will yield improvements in academic achievement tomorrow. School funding reform promotes fairness for our young people and a better life for all of us.

Our future will be assured by wise investments today. None is more vital than the education of our youth – in every community of our Commonwealth.

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