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Please robustly fund our public schools. Due to cuts in funding, our elementary school is losing three out of 16 classroom teachers as well as cuts to FTE for our music, library, and learning center teachers for 2023-24. I implore you to use your position on this committee to support this generation of students. As a parent and volunteer in the classroom I have seen how class size directly impacts the ability for a teacher to meet the wide variety of needs of the students. Increased funding would directly impact class sizes, creating an environment where students and teachers can thrive.