

-CARES FUNDING FOR SCPS-

Dear Members,

As the school year is about to begin, your Budget Committee and Liaisons will be leading outreach and advocacy efforts asking the BoS to support Dr. Kizner's request for additional funding to support continuity of learning to the greatest degree possible.

As the COVID situation continues to evolve, Dr. Kizner <u>has drafted</u> a roughly \$6.4 Million request for additional staff, technology, food service, etc. This is an evolving request, and the latest version will be presented to the SB at their meeting next Tuesday.

For context, the BoS has received approx. \$26.6 Million in Federal CARES Act relief. Prince William County Public Schools <u>recently received \$5 million</u> of their \$42.7 Million CARES request to support COVID-related expenses.

We anticipate that Kathy Butler (SEA VP & Liaison Program Director) and Allen Watkins (SEA Budget Committee Chair) will launch this latest advocacy effort tomorrow (8/4). This will become an imperative goal for us all to help secure, so that SEA continues to support the SB, Dr. Kizner, and SCPS in the Mission of the Division to *"INSPIRE. EMPOWER. EXCEL."*

Your recent advocacy efforts have not gone unnoticed, and we are immensely proud of our Educators continuing to support our Division's leadership to maximize options and safety for all! Stay tuned for tomorrow's anticipated launch, and be ready to letter write, email, and rally once more for our Schools! Continue to empower yourself, your colleagues, and the community!

In the meantime, please stay safe in the coming storm, and do not hesitate to reach out to myself, Robin Gardner, or any member of the SEA Executive Board for anything you may need.

As always, thank you for everything.

Respectfully,

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