



# Statewide Call-to-Action for Public Education Thursday, May 14, 2015

Join others across Pennsylvania and take 5-10 minutes on May 14<sup>th</sup> to call our state legislators to tell them that **Harrisburg's top priority this year must be enacting a new system that provides adequate and fair funding for public schools.**

Our legislators must **take politics out of school funding** and distribute state funding to school districts using a formula that is based on real factors and the real costs of delivering services.

The *Call to Action for Public Education* is a day where people throughout the state concerned about public education – individuals and supporters of various organizations, including PTAs, small business groups, church groups, community organizations – **CALL their State Representative, Senator and the Governor** to let them know we want them to deliver results and support our schools.

## Tell our lawmakers that we expect them to:

- Support **sufficient funding for public schools** that provides every student with the opportunity to learn, to meet state standards, and to be self-sufficient adults, ready for college and the workforce. **Money matters** when it comes to providing programs and services.
- **Drive out state funding to districts using a formula that is based on real factors and the real costs of delivering services**, including student factors such as the number of students who live in poverty, who are English language learners, and who are homeless. It should also take into account district factors such as the sparsity/size of the district, local tax effort, local wealth, and the number of students attending charter schools.
- **Support a long-term, student-driven, and equitable funding formula that provides adequate resources for every student to be able to meet academic standards.**

## Participating is as easy as 1, 2, 3!

1. Click [HERE](#) or Google "Find Your Legislator PA" to look up your legislators' contact info. Write their info below:

**Representative:**

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**Senator:**

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2. Call legislators and in your own words, explain why we need our state government to get school funding back on track **this year**. (Feel free to use the talking points on this flyer). Let them know you plan to follow the issues concerning public education. **Then, if you have time**, call Governor Wolf's office and ask them to hold strong on his support for **fair funding for schools**.
3. **SPREAD THE WORD:** Invite people you know to join you in making this call. **LIKE** our page on [FACEBOOK](#) and **Tweet** about it: #educationPA, #FairFundingPA!
4. **AFTER YOUR CALL** email [edvoters@educationvoterspa.org](mailto:edvoters@educationvoterspa.org) and let us know how your call went. We want to hear your story!

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