



## URGENT CALL TO ACTION!

# The Governor urges Legislators against additional spending for public schools!

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As the ongoing state budget negotiations are in their final stretch, Governor Cuomo reportedly urged lawmakers not to pursue additional spending for public schools beyond his proposed \$1 Billion increase due to potential federal cuts to states.

*Echoing remarks he made Monday evening, the governor said uncertainty about potential federal cuts to the state had complicated the final weeks of the budget negotiation. "It is a different calculation that we've never had before, because it's not just spending versus your anticipated revenues: **It's spending when you don't know what the revenues are going to be,**" he said.*

- [Time Union Blog](#), March 28, 2017

(Education starts around 8 minutes into the video)

**Welcome to the world of school districts,  
who have to go through the same thing every year with state aid!**

The Educational Conference Board, along with the NYS Board of Regents and the NYS Association of School Business Officials have called for at least \$2 Billion in additional school aid and a full phase-in of of foundation aid within three years.

There is not much time to react, since the legislature is expected to pass a budget by midnight on Friday. Let them know what budget choices you have to make in your district this year and what additional state aid would do for your students and programming.

### Call today:

- Phone number for **NYS Assembly: 518-455-4100** -> ask for your member
- Phone number for **NYS Senate: 518-455-2800** -> ask for your senator
- **Direct phone numbers** for your Assemblymembers and Senators.

### Additional budget memos to consider:

- [Educational Conference Board](#)
- [NYS Council of School Superintendents](#)

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