

SAMPLE MESSAGE

Dear Representative/Senator:

Despite unprecedented revenue in the state reserves, the state budget falls woefully short of adequately funding our public education system. In this precarious time of teacher shortages, student learning loss, and eroding confidence in our institutions –all exacerbated by the pandemic – a failure to fully fund our schools is not only a breach of constitutional duty but that of the moral responsibility owed our children.

As your constituent, I am writing to request that you take immediate action to allocate the state funds in the NC Budget to meet the requirements of the Comprehensive Remedial Plan. Fund our local public schools now! Uphold our state constitution’s promise to provide at least a sound, basic education for all our students.

The current budget funds essentially half of the Comprehensive Remedial Plan. Full funding requires neither raising taxes nor impacting other vital state services. Providing a sound education for our public-school students will generate increased revenues to the state for years. Having a trained and educated population will attract large and small businesses to all of North Carolina in a sustainable growth pattern for decades to come. Our future generations can have better lives because of your action today. The general public is tired or waiting and are repulsed by the political fights that lead to delayed action.

Respectfully,

Your Constituent [NAME]