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State Funding and what it means for MCCSD #160

As you well know a week ago, our Governor signed an amendatory veto to SB #1, which contained the new evidenced based model for funding school districts within the State of Illinois. While SB #1 did not mean a significant increase financially to MCCSD #160 (\$24,580.00 increase) no funding from the State is a tremendous burden.

MCCSD #160 currently receives \$948,600.00 a year. This has not been accurate for the past decade as schools have not been fully funded. The District operates on a \$7.2-million-dollar budget. A 13% reduction in our budget would have a significant impact on our students and staff, especially when you consider roughly 86% of our budget is to pay personnel to serve the students. While this will not have an immediate impact, if no resolution is reached the impact will come quickly. If no resolution is reached we will be able to stay open for students until March 1, 2018. If the State has not reached a funding mechanism decision by March 1, 2018, we would close our doors until the next year, when we would reopen on a shortened schedule based on property tax receipts or new funding legislation.

August 10, 2017 is when the first payments from the State would normally arrive, with a second monthly payment on August 20, 2017. These two payments will not be received and if a decision is not reached by the 1st of September, the next two payments will be in jeopardy as well. School districts across the State of Illinois watch this impending crisis with consternation for the impact it will have on the students they serve. There are many Districts across the State which will close their doors by October 1, 2017 if some type of funding legislation is not approved.

We continue to help encourage a resolution and compromise to this crisis with hopes our Government can reach a decision which will positively impact the lives of the students we educate. We also continue to educate our communities on the possible impact of no resolution. Let me be clear if funding is not restored we will close our doors on March 1, 2018.

Sincerely,

Jonathan D. Green
Superintendent