

OLYMPIA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 111
THURSTON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 591

LEGISLATIVE AND FUNDING PRIORITIES FOR THE 2019 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Directors of Olympia School District No. 111, Thurston County, Washington, declaring the district's legislative and funding priorities for the 2019 Legislative Session. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF OLYMPIA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 111, THURSTON COUNTY, WASHINGTON, as follows:

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of Olympia School District No. 111, Thurston County, Washington (the "District") is in the midst of addressing a significant deficit in the Olympia School District that is caused in great part by inequitable funding mechanisms (Regionalization, Levy) and unfunded mandates (Special Education, Health Care, K-3 Class size) that have come out of the state Legislature. To rectify this matter, the board supports necessary legislative action at the state level as follows this session:

- **Equitable and Flexible Funding**

Restore Olympia School District's former levy authority to 28%.

Revise the regionalization model and allocate regionalization to Olympia School District.

- **Salary Allocation**

Fully fund the cost of basic education staffing, including full funding for the premium associated with a highly experienced and highly educated teacher workforce. By doing so, the state will fully fund the K-3 class size initiative in Olympia.

- **Special Education**

Fully fund Special Education Services so it is no longer necessary to subsidize services with levy funds.

- **Health Care**

Fully fund the new health care system to cover costs of more employees becoming eligible for full benefits.

- **Physical and Mental Well-Being of Students**

Increase the number of counselors, social workers, psychologists, security staff and nurses that are funded in the state's basic education prototypical school model to meet the needs of students.

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Olympia School District No. 111, Thurston County, Washington, at a regular open public meeting thereof, of which due notice was given as required by law, held this 22nd day of January 2019, the following Directors being present and voting in favor of the resolution.

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Joellen Wilhelm, President and Director

Scott Clifthorne, Vice President and Director

Leslie Huff, Director

Attest:

Hilary Seidel, Director

Patrick C. Murphy, Ed.D., Superintendent
Secretary to the Board of Directors

Frank Wilson, Director