

Rep. Hintz: Statement on Gov. Evers' \$110 million investment in public schools

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OSHKOSH — Today, Gov. Tony Evers announced \$110 million in funding for Wisconsin public schools. In response, Rep. Gordon Hintz (D-Oshkosh) released the following statement:

“Earlier this year, at a time when Wisconsin had record revenues available and faced unprecedented needs due to the COVID-19 pandemic, legislative Republicans chose to put political games before the future of our kids by doing the bare minimum on education funding in the biennial budget. Fortunately, Gov. Evers put millions of dollars back into the state’s general fund through his strategic partial vetoes. Today, Gov. Evers has announced a \$110 million investment in new education funding to support Wisconsin’s kids and schools as they continue to recover from the pandemic.

“I am grateful that Governor Evers continues to find ways to provide funding to schools and prioritize our kids. We know this \$110 million investment will help our school districts to avoid having to choose between laying off teachers and cutting programs or going to referendum as they come out of the pandemic. There is no more important investment than the future of our kids. Here in the 54th Assembly District, I am confident Oshkosh Area School District’s local leaders will invest the additional \$1.26 million allocation very wisely as they focus on meeting the unique needs of our local schools and our kids’ education.”