

**EGRNOW!**

A campaign established in 2012 to help  
fund the immediate needs of  
our public schools

**100% all in for 2017**

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Taking local control to support  
teaching and learning at our schools.

# Current budget projection

	2016-17 Amended Budget	2017-18 Forecast
Revenues	\$29,084,951	\$29,588,371
Expenses	<u>\$29,155,751</u>	<u>\$29,916,468</u>
Change in Fund Reserve	(\$70,799)	<b>(\$328,097)</b>
Beginning Fund Reserve	\$2,429,109	\$2,358,310
Ending Fund Reserve	\$2,358,310	\$2,030,213
Ending Fund Reserve %	8.1%	6.8%
State Foundation Allowance (per pupil)	\$7,737	\$7,828
Supplemental HS Funding (per pupil)	\$0	\$17
EGRNow! Funding	\$406,000	\$250,000*
Student Enrollment	2,938	2,935

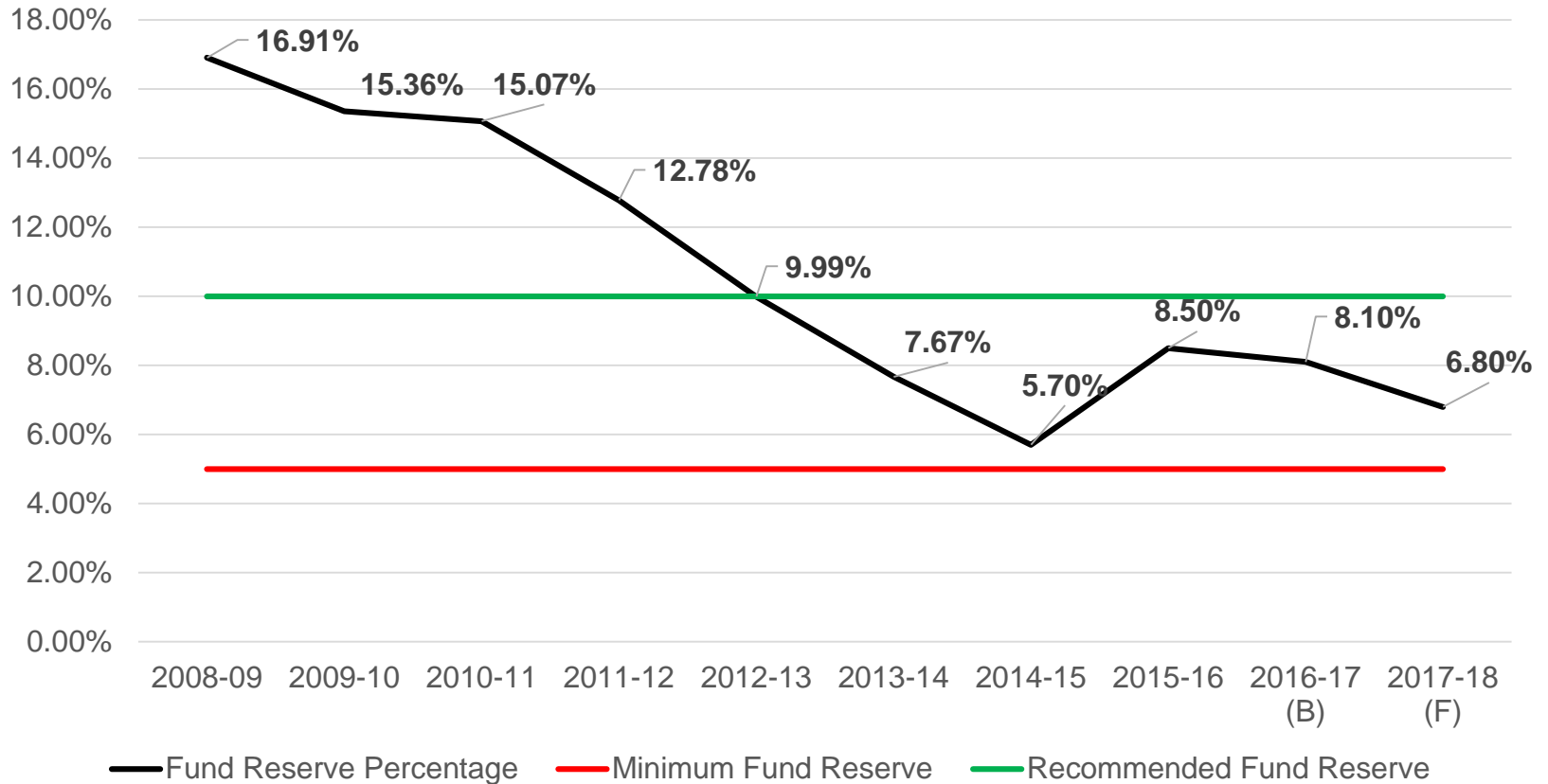
\* K-1 classroom paraprofessional positions and PAC management not included in 2017-18 budget based on \$250,000 estimate for EGRNow! Cost of those positions is \$170,000 per year.

# History of State Funding Support

Percentage of Foundation Allowance (%)	Foundation Allowance Increase/(Decrease)	State Retirement Increase/(Decrease)	Net State Funding Increase/(Decrease)
2009-10	0.0%	0.3%	<b>(0.3%)</b>
2010-11	0.0%	2.6%	<b>(2.6%)</b>
2011-12	(6.0%)	1.4%	<b>(7.4%)</b>
2012-13	0.0%	(0.2%)	<b>0.2%</b>
2013-14	0.7%	0.8%	<b>(0.1%)</b>
2014-15	0.7%	0.8%	<b>(0.1%)</b>
2015-16	1.7%	0.0%	<b>1.7%</b>
2016-17	1.4%	(0.5%)	<b>1.9%</b>
2017-18 (Gov. proposal)	<u>1.2%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>1.2%</u>
<b>Total: 2009-10 to 2017-18</b>	<b>(0.3%)</b>	<b>5.2%</b>	<b>(5.5%)</b>

Foundation Allowance increased from \$5,800 to \$7,686 the first 12 years of Proposal A (1994-2006). The increase was 32.5% in total, or **2.7% per year**.

# Fund Reserve History



# Summary of Budget Cuts since 2009

- **Since 2009, district has implemented \$4.4 million in budget cuts**
- **Budget Cuts affecting programs/services have included:**
  - Reductions of middle and high school counselors
  - Elimination of intervention specialist
  - Partial reduction of elementary reading support
  - Elimination of all media center/learning commons staff
  - Increased class sizes through the reduction of teachers
  - Eliminated district funding for middle school athletics
  - Eliminated district funding for Youth Development
  - Eliminated district funding for high school extracurricular clubs
  - Elimination district funding for high school wrestling/softball, and significantly increased pay to participate fees for all athletics
  - K-1 classroom para's (2013-14 to 2015-16), **reinstated for 2016-17**
- **Budget cuts that support teaching & learning have included:**
  - 50% reduction in building and central office support staff
  - 25% reduction in custodial staff + 15% pay reduction in 2011
  - Reductions to tech staffing and elimination of print center services
  - 30% reduction to general building budgets

# KISD Enhancement Millage Proposal

- **Proposal A allows an county ISD to request a tax levy for its local districts to support operational state funding**
  - Maximum levy is 3 mills
  - Funds generated are allocated to local districts equally on a per pupil basis
  - Funds are unrestricted and can be used for operational purposes
- **KISD ballot proposal (May 2, 2017)**
  - 0.9 mills for 10 years
  - Support for the proposal would provide an additional \$211 per student in operational funding to local districts in 2017-18
  - Based on projected enrollment, millage would provide EGR \$617,000 in 2017-18
  - 100% of the funds would be spent on instructional programs and services that impact teaching and learning.
  - For a home valued at \$200,000, the cost would be \$90 per year
- **Learn more at:**
  - <http://www.kentisd.org/parents--community/strong-schools-strong-communities/>

# Projected Enhancement Millage Funding

1.5% increase/yr.	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Per Pupil	\$211	\$214	\$218	\$221	\$224	\$228	\$231	\$234
Dollars	\$617,000	\$625,950	\$637,650	\$646,425	\$655,200	\$666,900	\$675,675	\$684,450

- **Approval of the millage would turn next year's \$328,000 projected deficit into \$289,000 surplus (including \$250,000 in EGRNow! donations)**
- **District would be able to maintain all current student programs & services**
- **EGRNow! funding would have additional flexibility to reinstate programs & services previously cut**



“We cannot continue to  
make cuts without changing  
the educational experience.”

**REALITY:** The next round of cuts will impact every classroom and student in the district. Full participation would allow us to bring programs back that have been reduced in the past

## How can I help?

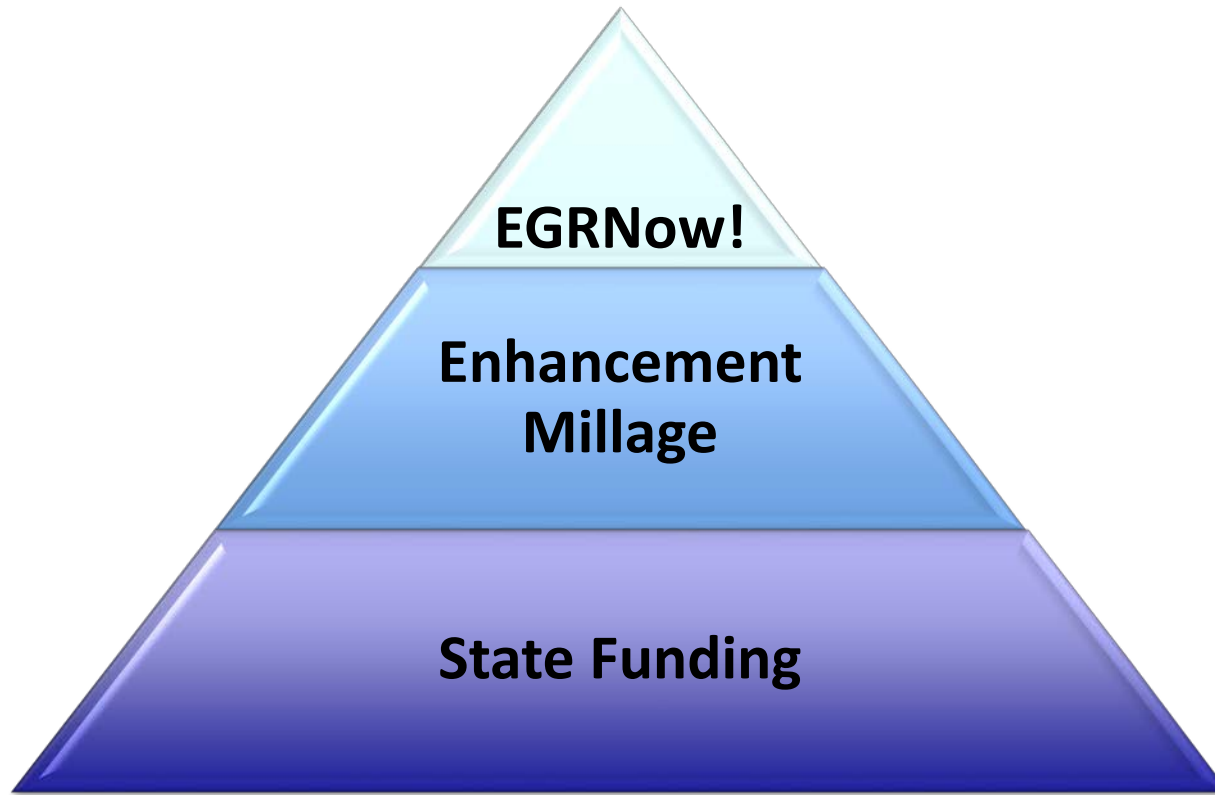
- Be 100% in—\$300 per student, \$300 per household without students
- Give voluntarily in the most meaningful way you can.
- Encourage others to be all in and give.
- Stay informed by visiting [EGRPS.org](http://EGRPS.org) and [EGRSF.org](http://EGRSF.org).

# What's at stake

- The future of our children
- The level of excellence our community expects
- The quality of life in EGR
- Attracting and retaining residents
- Property values based on our schools



# Pyramid of funding stability



Our community has the opportunity to build upon the foundation of state funding to ensure our kids are offered the educational program we expect for them in East Grand Rapids. All three segments of the pyramid are necessary to provide the programs they deserve. Let's all work together to complete the pyramid and provide our kids the best educational experience possible.

# Give! Stay in the know!

- Read the budget guide
- Donate online at the East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation website [egersf.org](http://egersf.org)
- Donations are tax deductible. EGRSF is a 501c(3) organization
- Send a check to:

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c/o East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation  
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East Grand Rapids, MI 49506

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