

VILLAGE OF OSSINING

Municipal Building

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Dear Ossining Residents,

If you agree that Ossining students deserve to receive the State Aid that is owed to them under the law, please take action right now, by <u>signing this letter to Albany</u>. It will be the most valuable 60 seconds of your day.

NYS Foundation Aid to public schools was frozen after the economy crashed. Since that time, the Ossining School District enrollment has grown, while most districts have gotten smaller. And the rates of Ossining students living in poverty has climbed.

The challenge of educating Ossining students without the several millions of dollars being held back each year by Albany has been met by the district with creativity, compassion and fiscal discipline. As a municipal leader, I commend their remarkable work.

As a parent of two young students, I'm very concerned about the programming that continues to be cut each year. What opportunities will no longer exist when my sons get to high school?

As a taxpayer, I am furious that the money my family sends to Albany each year is not fairly allocated to my community.

<u>Please click here to take action</u>, and learn more from Ossining Schools Superintendent Ray Sanchez. It takes less than a minute.

Regards,

Victoria Gearity

Mayor, Village of Ossining