



# TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY SCHOOLS

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August 13, 2024

Honorable Tim Moore  
Speaker of the House  
16 West Jones Street, RM 2304  
Raleigh, NC 27601-1096

Dear Speaker Moore,

Over the past year, inflation has impacted our nation and our state. According to the NC Commerce Department, the Median Personal Consumption Expenditure (PCE) inflation rate for North Carolina over the past year is approximately 3.8%. Multiple media reports have spoken about this, as have press releases issued by several members of the General Assembly.

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As the state inflation rate exceeds the 3.0% average raise to certified staff and a 3.0% raise to non-certified staff, the North Carolina General Assembly is reducing teacher pay in real dollars. These same teachers who work tirelessly on behalf of the approximately 1.4 million students in our schools should not be forced to take a pay cut due to political discord outside their control.

On behalf of the Transylvania County Board of Education, we implore you to pass a modified education budget with a pay increase of at least 5.0% for certified and non-certified staff at your session beginning on Sept. 9th, 2024.

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Honorable Phil Berger  
Senate President Pro Tempore  
16 West Jones Street, RM. 2007  
Raleigh, NC 27601

Dear Senator Berger,

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Representative Mike Clampitt  
300 N. Salisbury Street, RM 633  
Raleigh, NC 27603-5925

Dear Representative Clampitt,

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Honorable Kevin Corbin  
1300 N. Salisbury Street, RM 623  
Raleigh, NC 27603

Dear Senator Corbin,

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