



# Benjamin Logan Local School District

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## Senate Finance Committee HB 33 Testimony

**Benjamin Logan Local School District, Logan, Hardin & Union Counties**  
**Jennifer Sudhoff, Treasurer/CFO**

**May 26, 2023**

Chair Dolan, Vice Chair Cirino, Ranking Member Sykes, and members of the Senate Finance Committee, thank you for the opportunity to present written testimony today on House Bill (HB) 33.

My name is Jennifer Sudhoff and I serve as the Treasurer/CFO for Benjamin Logan Local School District. The district spans three counties – Logan, Hardin and Union, with Logan being the largest county served. Benjamin Logan is a rural school district that covers 220 square miles, the 16<sup>th</sup> largest in the state. This evening we will graduate 135 class of 2023 seniors.

Logan County runs a program called ‘What’s your E, Logan County?’

The E stands for Employed, Enlisted and Enrolled. The goal is to ensure that prior to graduation, every student in Logan County has committed to either Employment with a company, Enlistment in the military, or Enrollment in a 2 or 4 year college. The statistics for the Benjamin Logan class of 2023 are amazing – 50% are Enrolled, 48% are Employed, and 2% are Enlisted!

Each E is to be equally honored, respected, and given equal consideration. Our goal is to help students (and their parents) find the E that is right for them.

The Fair School Funding Plan provides an objective, rational, and transparent solution to school funding. However, for the formula to work, it needs to be fully implemented. We are 1/3 of the way there and I am here today to ask on behalf of my students, my district and the community I serve that you move forward with the next steps toward fully implementing the formula enacted in the last biennial budget. We also ask that you keep the updated FY 2022 base cost inputs included in the House-passed version of the bill.

Benjamin Logan Local School District supports the Fair School Funding Plan because it clearly outlines an approach for funding the cost of educating Ohio’s children. In our district this means continuing to educate our students to find their E.

Chair Dolan and members of the committee, thank you for your time and attention.

Respectfully,

Jennifer Sudhoff

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