Hello,

My name is Phil Rafferty. I am a Loveland resident and dad to one current and one future Loveland Tigers. I am writing to urge the committee to include the 3rd phase of the bipartisan Fair School Funding Plan in the state budget.

Personally, I have seen my child excel in the Loveland public school system. The people that work at the Early Elementary Center are incredible and consistently go above and beyond for not only my child, but the rest of the students. These employees deserve higher pay, and more funds to be able to enrich our children's education. Not to be further bound by tighter budgets that send money to charter and private schools. Take pride in our state's public school system and invest in our country's future to give our children the best education possible.

I ask you to choose to support the 90% of Ohio students who attend public schools. Please include the 3rd phase of the bipartisan Fair School Funding Plan in the state budget. Thank you.