

Chair Fowler Arthur, Vice Chair Odioso, Ranking Member Robinson, and members of the House Education Committee,

Thank you for allowing me to testify today. My name is Julia Phillips. I am a Maumee, Ohio resident who was born and raised in the greater Toledo area. I'm here to urge the committee to fully phase the bipartisan Fair School Funding Plan into Ohio's budget.

I attended Anthony Wayne Public Schools from K-high school graduation. This budget would make it so public schools like the one I attended and all the many, many more that service the greater Toledo area can remain great schools. Also, my step dad is a high school teacher at Rogers and he loves his job. He is super devoted to his students. We need to support these schools and teachers like him by properly funding them.

I ask you to consider my testimony and choose to support the 90% of Ohio students who attend public schools. Please fully phase the bipartisan Fair School Funding Plan into Ohio's budget, including the tools needed to implement it properly. Thank you again for the opportunity to testify.