

WITNESS Testimony

Please provide a brief statement on your position:

I feel this is probably a little late but I thought I would try! I am really sad to hear about the state of our funding for our public schools! I am a parent to 2 Columbus City Schools students! We did not qualify for vouchers for private schools at the time and I am grateful we didn't. They both started at Cranbrook Elementary and then had the opportunity to attend Columbus Gifted Academy. We had amazing experiences at both! My eldest is now a student at Columbus Alternative High School but is full time at Columbus State Community College through the College Credit Plus program. And I am afraid that due to these spending cuts, my youngest child's education will suffer and even more so the kids following behind him. I don't know what all a letter like this should say, I have never written one, but I just more than anything want to communicate how sad, disappointed, and disillusioned I am. I truly hope that something is figured out! Columbus has some really sensitive populations who are really going to take a hit and that will have a lasting effect on all of us! Include the Fair School Funding Plan in the Budget and fund it properly.