

#BetterLeg4PublicEd - Parent Advocate Talking Points

Who We Are

- I am a parent and a member of Utah PTA.
- PTA represents families, educators, and communities working together for every child's success.
- Our focus is nonpartisan and child-centered: what helps students thrive.

Why I'm Here Today

- Public schools serve more than 90% of Utah's students.
- Funding decisions directly affect class sizes, student supports, and learning opportunities for my child and millions of classroom moments across the state.
- I'm advocating because these decisions matter to families right now.

What We're Asking For

- Fully fund public education—first.
- Protect essential student supports like:
 - Mental health services
 - Arts programs
 - Counseling and intervention supports
- Ensure educators have the resources they need to provide safe, inclusive, high-quality learning environments.

Accountability & Responsible Spending

- Public schools are held to high standards of accountability, transparency, and equity.
- Public dollars should prioritize programs that serve the majority of Utah students and meet those same standards.

Collaboration Matters

- Families and educators should be involved early in policy discussions—not after decisions are already made.
- Real collaboration leads to better outcomes for students and smarter use of public funds.

Personal Connection (Choose One)

- This funding affects my child's classroom by impacting _____.
- Mental health supports at school matter to my family because _____.
- Arts and enrichment opportunities are important to us because _____.

Closing

- Utah's children deserve thoughtful, student-centered decisions.
- I'm proud to stand with Utah PTA in calling for a #BetterLeg4PublicEd.



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