

**Community Budget Review Committee's (CBRC) Review of the 2019-20
Portland Public Schools' (PPS) Proposed Budget**

The Superintendent's Proposed 2019-20 Budget will decrease overall staffing in schools and cut 2.5% of Central Office costs to minimize instability in the face of the State Legislature's failure to provide even a maintenance level of funding for the 2019-20 school year. Like other vested education stakeholders, we have been closely tracking efforts in Salem to pass landmark revenue reform to significantly increase K-12 education funding in Oregon. We are cautiously optimistic that the State Legislature will fulfill its obligation to serve students and their communities by passing the proposed \$2 billion package in the coming days and weeks. While this well-overdue investment in Oregon's education system will not go into effect until the second year of the current biennium, it will help the district to plan and implement a more stable vision and strategic plan in the 2020-21 school year and beyond.

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