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Sen. Schachtner Completes Tour of All School Districts in Senate District 10

(MADISON) – Wisconsin State Senator Patty Schachtner has completed her tour of all 19 school districts located in Senate District 10, which includes parts of Burnett, Polk, St. Croix, Dunn, and Pierce counties. Schachtner, a previous school board member and school health care provider, made it a priority to visit and listen to students, teachers, and administrators during her first term in office.

“Public schools are the heart of local communities,” said **Senator Patty Schachtner** (D-Somerset). “I feel strongly about being in the community, learning about the innovative programs in each school district, and understanding the issues facing our students and teachers.”

School districts located in Senate District 10 include Amery, Unity, Clayton, Frederic, Grantsburg, Luck, Osceola, St. Croix Falls, Siren, Somerset, Webster, Baldwin-Woodville, Boyceville Community, Glenwood City, St. Croix Central, Menomonie Area, New Richmond, Hudson, and River Falls. During each visit, Senator Schachtner met with district administrators to learn about their programming and needs.

“Investing in our children today will bring a stronger Wisconsin tomorrow,” **Schachtner** continued. “I am impressed with our local school districts’ commitment to quality education and robust services like mental health and afterschool programming.”

Senator Schachtner is a member of both the Senate Committee on Education and the Senate Committee on Universities, Technical Colleges, and Children and Families. She expressed support for the \$1.4 billion investment in K-12 education proposed in Governor Tony Evers’ budget. The budget also includes a \$58 million increase for school mental health services.

Governor Evers’ proposal comes after historic cuts made to education in 2011. When accounting for inflation, the most recent budget spends less on K-12 education in 2019 than Wisconsin did in 2010. Local communities helped backfill state aid reductions through local referendums. In 2018, voters broke records for K-12 referendum spending and percentage of referendums passed.

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