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Rep. Neubauer: Statement on State Budget Signing
Gov. Evers rises above the political fray, acts to address
Republican school funding cuts

MADISON — Today, Governor Tony Evers took action on the 2021-23 state budget and announced an additional \$100 million dollar investment in Wisconsin's public schools. Rep. Greta Neubauer (D-Racine) released the following statement:

“Over the last six months, I’ve had the privilege of working on the budget as a member of the Joint Finance Committee. Governor Evers introduced a budget that invested in Wisconsin workers and families, funded Wisconsin’s public schools, and brought home millions in federal funding. His proposed budget increased access to affordable health care, reduced racial disparities, spurred economic development, and provided needed resources for local governments. But instead of following through and delivering for Wisconsinites, legislative Republicans doubled-down on partisan politics throughout the budget process, cutting popular proposals and putting Wisconsin’s economic security and COVID recovery at risk.

“Today, Governor Evers used his partial veto power to build a better budget for the people of Wisconsin and address some of Republicans’ misplaced priorities. By creating greater flexibility through Wisconsin’s general fund, Governor Evers ensured that our state will have more resources at hand to address immediate and emerging needs in the 2021-23 biennium.

“Our neighbors deserved more in this budget, but I am grateful that we have a governor who uses his veto pen in the interest of the people of Wisconsin. I also deeply appreciate Governor Evers’ continued commitment to ensuring our kids get the resources they need to recover and succeed in school. His announcement that our public schools will receive \$100 million in new federal dollars will help schools to mitigate some of the gaps created by Republican budget decisions, and his actions on the budget today will give the legislature another opportunity to restore necessary school funding cut by Republicans in areas like special education and general aid. I hope that my colleagues across the aisle will work with us and act quickly to ensure every kid gets the help they need to thrive.”

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