

# BETHEL TATE SCHOOLS: THE FINANCIAL PICTURE IN BLACK AND WHITE

## BUDGET REDUCTIONS, 2005-2008

- Cut \$500,000 from the general fund budget including both support and teaching personnel. (2005)
- Reduced operating budgets with only necessary expenditures being approved and only essential personnel replaced. (2005-2008)
- Cut \$800,000 from the general fund budget through attrition; several staff changed to part time; further cuts to departmental operating budgets. (Summer, 2008)

## CUTS AFTER NOVEMBER, 2008 : INCOME TAX LEVY FAILS

- Eliminated high school busing. (March 30, 2009)
- Reduced K-8 student busing under a tiered busing system saving \$300,000/yr; 5 drivers laid off as of 3/20/09; 14 routes reduced to 9 routes.
- Cut 9 teaching positions. (June, 2009)
- Eliminated 2 administrative positions. (by June, 2009)
- Eliminated 2 custodial and 2 aide positions. (March 30, 2009)
- Eliminated K-8 extracurricular activities. (March 30, 2009)
- Closed Bick Primary, Hill Intermediate and the Bethel-Tate Middle School at 6:00 p.m. to all activities.

## MAY, 2009 EMERGENCY FIVE YEAR LEVY

### PASSES

- Recall essential staff for the 2010-11 school year.
- Restore high school busing with more door to door pickup/dropoff and improved building start/end times. The school day will be similar to what we had at the beginning of the 2008-2009 school year.
- Restore K-8 extracurricular activities.
- Return evening hours for Bick/Hill/MS for community use.
- Maintain current programs; no additional programs for district.

### DOES NOT PASS

- Continue the loss of high school busing.
- Maintain the closure of MS, Hill Intermediate, and Bick Primary @ 6:00 PM. All evening and weekend activities in these buildings are eliminated including youth basketball and youth wrestling.
- Maintain cuts to the K-8 extra curricular activities including middle school football, basketball, wrestling, track along with family reading, math and science nights. Hillfest and the Middle School play will also be eliminated.
- Make additional staffing cuts.
- Forego any new purchases of textbook and instructional materials.