



The Montgomery County Council of Parent-Teacher Associations

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**MCCPTA Statement on Montgomery County Executive's Call for \$19 Million Budget Cuts to Montgomery County Public Schools**

Montgomery County Council of Parent-Teacher Associations (MCCPTA) President Kristin Tribble issued the following statement today following news that Montgomery County Executive Ike Leggett has called for a \$19 million mid-year budget cut to the Montgomery County Public Schools:

“While we understand the predicament facing our county, it is important right now for our elected officials to prioritize those programs which must be protected. Our county youth is one of the more vulnerable populations and one upon which the future of our county relies. Education must be a top priority. Our school system attracts taxpaying citizens and businesses to our county. While our children's teachers struggle daily with decreasing resources and increasing enrollment, our PTAs will step up to help in any way possible. I encourage all parents to get involved in your school community. This is the time. And I encourage our elected officials to embrace and support our county public education. We are all one county and we all need to work together to find the necessary solutions without hurting our county's children in the process.”

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