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Fwd: Capitol Watch: ISBE Hosting Budget Hearings

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ISBE Hosting Budget Hearings

We have an opportunity to make our voices heard and advocate for increased funding to the Evidence-Based Funding Model.

The Illinois State Board of Education recently shared it has scheduled four hearings across Illinois to gather community input on the state's budget for public education.

We hope you can attend one of the hearings (listed below) and be an advocate for increased EBF because feedback and funding requests received will inform ISBE's Fiscal Year 2021 public education budget recommendation it will submit to Gov. Pritzker and the General Assembly in January.

ISBE requires each person wishing to testify to complete a feedback form at www.isbe.net/budget beforehand, including a funding request for FY 2021. In FY 2020, the General Assembly approved \$375 million in the Evidence-Based Funding Formula -- a \$25 million increase above the minimum, which was the amount allocated in FY 2019.

If you're a district that benefits from EBF, we hope you can attend one of these hearings and be an advocate for increased EBF. These meetings truly are an important cog in the school funding process.

ISBE will host hearings:

Date	Location	Town	Time
10/16/19	East St. Louis Public Schools Administration Building 1005 State Street, East St. Louis	East St. Louis	Immediately following the ISBE Board meeting
10/23/19	Bloomington High School Senior Cafeteria 1202 E. Locust St., Bloomington	Bloomington	3:30 - 5:30 p.m.
11/6/19	Dr. Nick Osborne Primary Center CORE Classroom 401 N. 30th Street., Mount Vernon	Mount Vernon	3:30 - 5:30 p.m.
11/21/19	James R. Thompson Center Room 16-503 100 W. Randolph St., Chicago	Chicago	1 - 4 p.m.

Sincerely,

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