
Resolution of the Bridgman Public Schools Board of Education Opposing Medicaid Cuts

WHEREAS, Medicaid is the fourth largest source of federal funding for public schools and helps support special education and school-based health services for children; and

WHEREAS, School based Medicaid services serve as a lifeline for children who can't access health care and health services outside of their school; and

WHEREAS, a recent Congressional Budget Office Analysis found that just one extra year of Medicaid coverage during childhood leads to higher earnings and better productivity as an adult; and

WHEREAS, we are proud that Michigan chose to expand school-based Medicaid services to help make sure children get the support they need; and

WHEREAS, our shares in fund distribution with county that receives \$3.5 million in annual funding from Medicaid to support special education and school-based health services; and

WHEREAS, 64.34% of students with an Individual Education Plan (IEP) qualify for Medicaid and 52.3% of students without an IEP qualify for Medicaid; and

WHEREAS, if our district loses access to significant Medicaid funding, we could be faced with the difficult decision to cut health services, layoff educators and staff, or reduce other programming to compensate;

THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED, we the Board of Bridgman Public Schools, respectfully ask Congress to oppose harmful cuts to Medicaid that could seriously limit access to health care, mental and behavioral health care, and services for children with disabilities and those in need, and create significant shortfalls in local budgets.

Resolved and adopted the 9th day of June 2025.

Board Representative Name

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