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IMESD District Board Talking Points August 2019

I hope you enjoyed your summer break. For those of us who lead school districts, August is a busy and exciting month as we prepare for the upcoming 2019-20 school year.

And, what a year it will be! Due to the legislature's passage of the Student Success Act, Oregon schools will receive unprecedented funding. Although the majority of this increased revenue will not be distributed until the 2020-21 school year, districts will begin the planning process in the fall. Key aspects of the new law include:

- \$9.0 billion for the biennium, with a 49/51 distribution
- Full funding of Measure 98: \$303 million.
- Student Success Account: An additional \$475 million for 20-21 to be used in four buckets upon district discretion: Class Size Reduction, Increased Learning Time, Safety and Socio-Emotional, and Increased Programs/Electives.

As part of the Student Success Act, IMESD will assist districts in meeting ODE accountability requirements in the coming year. This will include the setting of growth targets to increase student achievement.