All students deserve a chance to succeed. We know some schools need improving, and even our best schools should continue to demand better results. That’s why I fought for record-level funding for our local K-12 schools and am working to ensure resources go directly into classrooms so students have the tools they need to succeed. (State Budget FY 2017-18/2018-19)

More Skilled Trades

Our kids deserve to learn about all of their career options, especially skilled trades with a growing demand, because a college degree isn’t the only path to success. I authored a plan creating better training opportunities, such as high school internships, to prepare our children for after graduation. (PAs 184, 229, 234-5, 266 of 2018)

Improved Teacher Retirements

My new law will help over 4,000 teachers and other school employees with their retirement by expanding eligibility for an improved and fair savings option equal to other state employees. (PA 169 of 2018)
Dear Neighbor:

It’s back-to-school time in Michigan! One of the highlights of my job is talking with parents, students and school officials to determine the best path to a brighter future for our state. After listening to their concerns and suggestions, we have come up with a plan that continues to put students first.

The 2018-19 school year will include:

- **PROPER FUNDING**: A record-high $14.8 billion in statewide K-12 school funding, including the highest annual per-student increase in 15 years.

- **SKILLED TRADES**: A growing commitment to introduce more Michigan students to skilled trades and other career opportunities prior to graduation. Not every child will go to college, but every child deserves a chance at success. This strategy creates more choices and career paths for students.

- **SAFETY**: A heightened emphasis on safety, including a grant program to add security features to more school buildings across the state.

Michigan can’t be great without great schools, and that includes demanding better results for our children. We are providing the resources needed for quality schools to get even better and to help struggling schools improve – creating more opportunities for students to learn and succeed.

Sincerely,

Beau LaFave

Your State Representative