

Save our Schools Challenge

The budget and financial decisions of our legislators and governor in Topeka are putting our schools at risk! The State of Kansas has exempted most business, rental and farm income from state income tax. The result is a budget crisis in Topeka that is affecting our school's financial viability and educational function. But we can take action to combat this crisis and help our schools and students.

According to the IRS: Charitable contributions to governmental units are tax-deductible under section 170(c)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code if made for a public purpose. School districts are qualified governmental units.

Our challenge is this: Use some or all of the tax savings you have realized by the state tax exemption and make a tax deductible charitable donation directly to the school of your choice. A quick way to estimate your state tax saved because of the exemption is to multiply the amount on **Line 43 of your IRS 1040 by 4%**. Then donate accordingly. **Farmers can also donate grain to the school instead of a cash contribution. Call us for details on how to do this correctly.**

Our schools are in need of **additional funding now!** To get the address of your school, use this site: <http://svapp15586.ksde.org/k12/k12.aspx>

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