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Mr. Robert L. Megna
Budget Director
New York State Division of the Budget
Room 128, The Capital
Albany, NY 12224

Re: 2015-16 Executive Budget School Aid Runs

Dear Mr. Megna:

It is with great disappointment that I learned of your comments yesterday stating that "school aid runs" which provide a great deal of information to our local school districts in planning their budgets would not be made available until Governor Cuomo's proposed education reforms are enacted. This information is essential for our local superintendents and school boards to have available as they plan their budgets for the upcoming year and make difficult decisions regarding programs and staff.

I urge you and Governor Cuomo to reconsider this decision and release this information so that the Governor's proposals can be considered on their merits and not under the financial duress that is being created by this situation.

Very truly yours,

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