

Dear _____,

As a constituent in your district, I am disturbed to learn that Illinois is failing the children of its future by not fulfilling its commitment to pay Mandated Categoricals for special education and transportation. The State of Illinois still owes Germantown Hills School District \$345,792 for FY17. It is indefensible that our state has gone 22 months without a budget. Our children desperately need our elected officials to do their job and get a budget passed!

I join the parents, teachers and administrators in Germantown Hills School District and throughout the great State of Illinois in calling on members of the Illinois General Assembly and the Governor to do the following:

- Immediately and with bipartisan support, end the state budget impasse.
- Improve the state's education funding formula and invest in students and schools, including higher education institutions throughout the state.
- Pay school districts what they are owed THIS YEAR.

Feel free to contact me directly, should you have an interest in hearing more about my concerns. Illinois can and should do better than this. A well-educated community with opportunity is ALWAYS a safer community.

Sincerely,
