

# *Pittsfield Public Schools*



**Proposed Budget for Adoption**

**April 26, 2017**

# Thank You

## **United Educators of Pittsfield**



- Our teachers' union did what some would consider unthinkable, sacrificing step increases for one half of a year.
- Steps are the lone means for people who have invested in advanced degrees to the tune of tens, if not hundreds of thousands of dollars to reach a salary commensurate with the importance and value of the work they do.
- This extraordinary measure puts up to 7 teachers back in the classroom working directly with children.

## **Further Reductions to get to \$250,000 Below FY17 Level Funding (-0.4%)**

- Asst. Superintendent for College and Career Readiness Position, savings \$55,000
- Reduce one FTE Specialist at Elementary Level, savings \$45,000
- Reduce Curriculum Line Item from \$500,000 to \$350,000, savings \$150,000
  
- Total Reductions tonight from level funding: \$250,000.00
  
- Further reduction of curriculum line by \$100,000 to put teachers back into classroom
- Total remaining in curriculum line, \$250,000

# Total Full Time Equivalents Reduced

- 30.4 FTE Teachers
  - average 2.45 per school
  - out of total of 576 positions
  - 5.1% of total
- 39.2 FTE Paraprofessionals
  - average 3.3 per school
  - out of a total of 256 positions
  - 15% of total
- 6 FTE District Positions
  - average 0.5 per school
  - out of 47 positions—including every person who works out of Mercer in any capacity (mostly non-administrative)
  - 13% of total

***Total Number of Staff Reductions:***

***75.6 FTEs***

# This Budget

Is painful on personal and professional levels

However....

It does not diminish programing, course offerings,  
or opportunity for our clients.

This budget keeps the Pittsfield Public Schools

*The Pittsfield Public Schools*

# The FY 18 Proposed Plan: Adoption, April 26, 2017

- Total Increase for FY18
  - \$ **-250,000—0.4% below FY17 Budget**
  - FY18 Budget Request to the City
    - **\$60,066,338**
  
- School Choice/Richmond Tuition: **\$620,000**
  - \$558,776—school choice in
  - \$61,224—Richmond in
  
- ***TOTAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE BUDGET***
  - **\$60,686,338**