



## ***Washoe County School District***

Every Child, By Name And Face, To Graduation

### **WCSD Budget Snapshot**

#### ***Impact of Governor's Proposed Budget***

- Governor Brian Sandoval's State of the State address

The following details are early estimates based on a limited amount of information which is currently available:

- ✓ Proposed **9.2 percent** cut to education
- ✓ Translates to an estimated **\$45 million** cut to WCSD for each of the next two fiscal years
- Additional Cuts
  - ✓ WCSD is facing an additional estimated \$30 million in cuts due to the decrease in local revenues, loss of stimulus funding and loss of other one-time funding sources.
  - ✓ Total combined cuts are estimated at **\$75 million** for the WCSD.
- How WCSD responded to budget cuts last year:
  - ✓ Reduction in workforce
  - ✓ Increase to class size
  - ✓ Wage reductions and furlough days for employees
  - ✓ Single largest cut to Central Services in the history of WCSD
  - ✓ Hiring freeze
  - ✓ Cuts to programs
  - ✓ Spending freeze (Reinstated on 1/26/11)
- Next steps in the budget process:
  - ✓ WCSD will continue to work with the governor and state lawmakers advocating for the smallest amount of cuts possible and the maximum amount of flexibility for school districts to control resources.
  - ✓ WCSD will go to the community for input on the budget through surveys, meetings and discussions with all employees.
  - ✓ **All final budget decisions will be made based on the priorities set in the strategic plan, *Envision WCSD 2015 – Investing In Our Future.***

#### ***Previous Budget Cuts***

- ✓ **\$73 million** over the last 4 years (Fiscal Years 08-11)
- ✓ Includes **\$37 million** due to the 2010 Special Session

#### ***WCSD Budget Basics***

- How is the Washoe County School District funded?
  - ✓ Resources from local, state and federal governments fund the WCSD.
- Where does the money go?
  - ✓ **73 cents** of every dollar goes toward instruction and instructional support for our children
  - ✓ **89 percent** of the general fund pays for the salaries and benefits of the District's 7,400 employees.