

A \$110 Million Investment in Wisconsin Kids and Schools

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Governor highlights budget investment of more than \$100 million in new, additional funding to help support schools as they recover from the ongoing coronavirus pandemic.

MADISON — Gov. Tony Evers today delivered the Democratic Radio Address highlighting a \$110 million investment in Wisconsin kids and schools [announced earlier today](#). The funding, provided by federal coronavirus relief funds, reflects the governor's commitment when signing the 2021-2023 biennial budget [earlier this year](#)

to invest more than \$100 million in new, additional funding to help support schools as they recover from the ongoing coronavirus pandemic.

[Audio file of Radio Address](#).

Hey folks. Governor Tony Evers here.

I've always said what's best for our kids is what's best for our state.

Our kids and schools have faced unprecedented challenges during the coronavirus pandemic—from distance learning to changing class sizes, to spending money that has been budgeted for pencils to pay for PPE.

I know kids, parents, and educators have had to make sacrifices, and I know many are worried about making sure kids have the support to catch up after these last eighteen months.

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So, when the Legislature left unfinished business in the 2021-23 biennial budget by failing to meaningfully invest in our schools, I promised to use federal funds available to invest more than \$100 million in new, additional funding for schools across our state.

Well, this week, I'm keeping that promise with a \$110 million investment into Wisconsin's kids and schools.

Schools in districts across Wisconsin will be able to use these funds to support kids in the classroom, hire educators and staff, provide additional education or mental health supports, buy art supplies or computers, keep the lights on—whatever they need, and most importantly, whatever our kids need.

And while these funds are no substitute for long-term, sustainable funding for our schools and classrooms, this will go a long way towards helping our kids get the services and resources they need—because that's what's best for our kids.

Thank you.