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*“Working on All Sides at Once”...*

Dr. Christopher Hibner, Superintendent  
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## **East Troy Schools – State Budget Challenges**

Dear Community Members,

Governor Walker's proposed Budget Repair Bill and State Budget will impact all public school districts upon passage, including the East Troy School District. Some of the key considerations of the bills are:

- contributions by public employees to pensions and/or health insurance
- changes to collective bargaining rights for unions
- decreased state aid and reduced school revenue

Despite the current uncertainties surrounding legislation with the Budget Repair Bill and the proposed budget for 2011 – 2013, we are proud to say that in our district we continue to keep our focus on meeting the needs of our students.

However, we are preparing for possible worst-case scenarios. We recognize that our public may have questions related to this legislation and its impact on our district. Therefore, we have created a “[Frequently Asked Questions](#)” document that we will update on a regular basis. We encourage all community members to access this information via our webpage at [www.easttroy.k12.wi.us](http://www.easttroy.k12.wi.us). The questions and answers on this document include:

- What is happening at the state levels that could impact E.T.C.S.D.?***
- What is the District doing about this anticipated shortfall?***

We will also have paper copies of the FAQ available in all of our buildings, beginning Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

While the uncertainties and challenges abound, we will not lose sight of our mission. Our students remain our most important focus.

Sincerely,

Dr. Christopher Hibner