## SUZUKI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## **RE: SCHOOL CONCERNS WITH REGARDS TO FUNDING INEQUITIES**

## ADVOCACY OPPORTUNITY

The Suzuki Board of Directors is aware of growing parent concerns regarding the fact that the UCP Government funding has Charter School students receiving approximately 1/4 of the amount in Student Learning Support funding as other Public, Separate, and Francophone divisions. This means that Suzuki Charter School will be receiving \$360,000 less per year than other similarly sized schools despite the fact that we are an inclusive school. We have heard from parents who are looking for information on how they can be informed and how they can voice their concern. The Board is responsive and has compiled information that outlines the issues/concerns, what the board and administration has done so far and what you can do as parents to voice your concern. It is important to note that the UCP budget is coming within the month and if you want your voice heard, now is the time to do it. The UCP claims to be supportive of Choice in Education, so write to your MLA, the minister of Education and the Premier if you feel your child deserves equitable funding. Please see the attached Soundbyte for more information. Additional information and contact details for politicians is available on our website using this link.

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