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PUSD Budget Challenge Survey for Middle School Families

The Pleasanton Unified School District is facing major budget challenges due to the state's current fiscal crisis. In 2008/09, over \$2 million in program and personnel costs were implemented. For the current year, the District cut over \$11 million, and we are now faced with an additional \$8 million in needed reductions for next year. This represents, over 3 years, a ??? reduction in our spending.

As a result, numerous programs have been impacted at all grade levels. Middle schools have experienced the reduction or elimination of items including reading support; tech match funds; custodial services; counseling time; school office and library assistant hours; and extra classes for algebra support. Items at risk for 2010/11 include vice principals; District support for promotion; reading support; summer school offerings; counseling; office staff; and site-based funds.

In the following survey, the District is seeking your input as a middle school parent/guardian as to which programs you view as a priority for our students. The survey is anonymous, and the results will be shared with staff, the Board of Trustees, and the community as we work together to address this major challenge.



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The following programs or personnel are scheduled for reduction or elimination next year or have already been affected by previous budget cuts. Please let us know your opinion of their impact on your child's education by rating each as Very Important, Somewhat Important, Not Much of an Impact, No Impact, or No Opinion.

1 "A" period sections to allow students to take additional classes

Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Much of an Impact	No Impact	No Opinion
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2 Custodial services

Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Much of an Impact	No Impact	No Opinion
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3 Extra periods for algebra students in need of additional support

Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Much of an Impact	No Impact	No Opinion
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4 Extracurricular activities--athletics

Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Much of an Impact	No Impact	No Opinion
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5 Extracurricular activities--other than athletics

Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Much of an Impact	No Impact	No Opinion
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6 GATE (Gifted and Talented Education)

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Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Much of an Impact	No Impact	No Opinion
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7 Maintain current length of school year (180 instructional days)

Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Much of an Impact	No Impact	No Opinion
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8 Middle school counseling services

Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Much of an Impact	No Impact	No Opinion
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9 Middle school library services

Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Much of an Impact	No Impact	No Opinion
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10 Middle school promotion ceremony

Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Much of an Impact	No Impact	No Opinion
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11 Middle school vice principals

Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Much of an Impact	No Impact	No Opinion
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12 On site technology support

Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Much of an Impact	No Impact	No Opinion
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13 School office support staff

Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Much of an Impact	No Impact	No Opinion
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14 Site-based funds (for items such as classroom supplies, library books, technology, and teacher training)

Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Much of an Impact	No Impact	No Opinion
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15 Summer school programs

Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Much of an Impact	No Impact	No Opinion
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16 Support programs for students needing extra assistance (e.g. reading support, after school homework club)

Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Much of an Impact	No Impact	No Opinion
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17 Some community members have come forward with an interest in supporting programs through donations and fundraising activities. Please list below the three areas mentioned above that you would be most likely to support in this manner (in no specific order):

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3.:

18 How much money might you be willing to donate to support the three programs you selected?

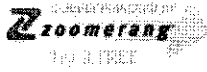
- \$0
- Up to \$100
- \$100 - \$200
- \$200 - \$300
- \$300 - \$400
- \$400 - \$500
- Over \$500



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Thank you for participating in this survey. When compiled, results will be published on our website at www.pleasanton.k12.ca.us. Please check our site regularly for updates about the budget. For additional questions or comments, please email survey@pleasanton.k12.ca.us.



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