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Dear Public School Parent,

Our schools need your help. The San Francisco Unified School District is facing a \$29 million shortfall next school year. Without help, SFUSD will be forced to layoff up to 505 teachers and dozens of paraprofessionals this year. We will also see deep cuts in vital programs and services for students. This includes potential increases in class sizes from Kindergarten to 3rd Grade, and in 9th Grade math and English.

In 2003 the city of San Francisco passed a law to help our schools in times of need, called the Rainy Day Fund. The law is clear. Our schools are eligible for 25% of the Rainy Day Fund. With a current balance of \$92 million, that equals \$23 million.

The current amount being considered by the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors would grant our schools only \$11 million. This is a wrong interpretation of the law, and will deeply harm our schools.

We ask you to help in three ways:

1. Contact the Mayor and your Supervisor by phone and by email. Tell them to release the full \$23 million from the Rainy Day Fund.
2. Have your student write a letter to the Mayor and Supervisor as well. For those with younger kids, we have created a page for them to color.
3. Attend a rally at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 12th at City Hall. Parents, students, and teachers standing together will convince our city leaders to do the right thing – give our schools what they deserve, the full \$23 million.

For more information, go to www.uesf.org.

Call and write to the Mayor and your Supervisor. Tell them to please give our schools the full Rainy Day Fund – \$23 million!!!

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