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Hello! I am writing to request that no more money is deducted from the budget for the BOE. My three children go to school in Waterford. Two of my children are currently in the music program and are thriving. The band and orchestra teachers that they had at OSW this year are phenomenal and truly care about the kids. I have watched my son, who has difficulty focusing, excel in orchestra and my daughter, who struggles with social situations, excel in the band and jazz band. Next year, my daughter will go to the middle school and it would be devastating if she did not have the music program to go into. She also has plans of participating in sports and clubs within the school to make new friends. This year has been an uncharted territory for our community. However, education should not be considered the place to cut. When children return to school, they are going to need these programs and much help by staff and teachers to get caught up. As a special education teacher, I cannot even fathom the idea that cuts would be taken from special education. These children struggle already within a normal school day and will need extra help and assistance moving forward.

Thank you for reading and your consideration,
Stacy Blatnik

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