



**If history has told us anything, it is that nobody is going to save Triway Local Schools except for us. Not the state or federal government, not the major foundations or education think tanks, not those in other school districts nor those in positions of leadership in our government. We have to take matters into our own hands. We have to use this opportunity to help ourselves, and most importantly the children in our community.**

A four-year renewable three-quarters of one-percent earned income tax, to be voted on March 6, 2012, is proposed to raise the necessary funds to maintain the *integrity* of Triway's programs. Below you can see the efforts to reduce costs now (A) and the Triway Board of Education adopted cuts if the issue fails (B).

(A) If the three-quarters of one-percent (0.75%) earned income tax *passes* the following cuts will be made totaling \$466,725.

9 aides will be cut to shift IDEA-B funds to offset the costs of Special Education Teachers	- \$200,000
Contract for extra counseling for students through the Counseling Center terminated	- \$28,000
Reduction in teaching staff by 3	-\$136,600
Transportation Department Staff cuts	- \$30,000
Reduce Speech Services	- \$30,000
Restructure Outdoor Education Program	- \$15,000
Increase transportation fee to \$100	- \$ 27,125

(B) If the three-quarters of one-percent (0.75%) earned income tax *fails* the following *additional* cuts will be made.

Close Franklin Township Elementary School	- \$550,000
Eliminate transportation for grades 9 – 12 and put the junior high and the two elementary schools on the same schedule	- \$100,000
Eliminate transportation within the 2 miles of school attendance	- \$100,000
Participation Fee (\$100 HS/\$50 JH) per student per season (\$400 family cap)	- \$ 52,950
Reduce classroom supplies	- \$ 50,000
Increase School Fees to \$50	- \$ 15,000
Other	- \$ 68,264

This will bring the TOTAL cost reductions to \$1,402,939.

❖ **This earned income tax does not affect the need for the passage of a renewal in November 2012.**

If the earned income tax issue fails then Franklin Twp. Elementary closes, transportation is reduced and you can expect:

- Longer bus rides.
- Larger class sizes.
- Both inter and intra district open enrollment will be severely limited at the elementary level.
- Not only will 150 students be displaced at Franklin Twp. Elementary, but 55 students from Shreve Elementary who now open enroll at Wooster Twp. will return to Shreve.
- Transportation for students in grades 9 – 12 will be the responsibility of each family.
- Junior High and Elementary students will share busing and school time schedules.
- Transportation cuts will result in loss of busing to about half (900) of our current students.

**PLEASE VOTE YES ISSUE #8 MARCH 6, 2012**