## Mommy, what will happen to myschool?

## OUR CHILDREN'S FUTURE IS AT RISK

Michigan's public schools face a serious crisis, and the debate over how to fix it is generating a lot of talk from our elected officials.

Talk that only adds to the confusion and uncertainty—and makes it even harder to explain to our children why politics have so much to do

That's why parents and educators must work together and pay very close attention to what our elected officials are *really* saying...because politics have already played too big a role in shaping our schools.

with their education.

We've got to make sure any solution to our schools' crisis guarantees full funding and real reforms:

GUARANTEED CORE CURRICULUM...that includes math, science, English, foreign language, and vocational/technical education

21st CENTURY SKILLS... to enable our children to compete for jobs in the future, including computer literacy, communication and telecommunication skills

PARENTS HAVE A SAY...through parental and educator involvement in decisions governing schools

CLASSROOM INVESTMENT... by putting dollars where they're needed most—into the classroom

FULL FUNDING ... with full replacement dollars

LOCAL CONTROL...for each community, by a vote of the people, the opportunity to choose revenue enhancement

QUALITY EDUCATION...by providing the necessary level of funding to guarantee all students a quality education

Now, more than ever, Michigan's parents, teachers and communities need to work together and make their voices heard. And make sure our children—not politics—come out the winners.

"IT'S TOO IMPORTANT FOR JUST POLITICS TO DECIDE"





