

## **BERRYHILL PUBLIC SCHOOLS PREPARE FOR BUDGET CUTS**

**Dear Parents:**

**Berryhill Public Schools budget has been negatively impacted by the state revenue failure. The district looks to lose about \$200,000 this school year and cuts are going to be deeper next school year. Our administrative staff has met to discuss and share information about the district's financial situation and have explored all cost saving measures.**

**During these tough economic times, district administrators have been able to protect the students from the effects of a budget shortfall for this school year. However, we are preparing for the anticipated reductions to our 2017 budget and it may be impossible to make decisions regarding reductions of the magnitude we are expecting that do not impact students, positions and programs.**

**The district has already placed a freeze on hiring and cut funding for supplies, equipment and materials. We have been forced to deplete about \$400,000 of our cash fund balances.**

**Unfortunately, next year will be even worse. Expect cuts in programs and positions. Class sizes will increase next year. There will be administrative cost cuts. Fewer services will be available to students, parents and staff.**

**The board of education and administration are working diligently to keep pace with current and anticipated state revenue reductions. There is simply no way to prevent cuts due to the funding reductions we are experiencing currently and anticipate in the future. Berryhill Public Schools will face this challenge head on and we will continue to provide a quality education for our students.**

**Sincerely,**

**Mike Campbell  
Superintendent of Schools**