



Just Fund It TX House Party and Meeting Talk Resources

You're ready to share what you know, and ready to call people to action. Here's everything you need to make things easy, informative and fun!

Just Fund It TX Essentials

Website	www.justfundittx.org
Facebook	www.facebook.com/JustFundItTX
Twitter	@justfundittx
Instagram	@justfundittx
Email	info@justfundittx.org
Hashtags	#JustFundItTX & #Don'tMessWithTXKids

Just Fund It TX PowerPoint

Use this [Just Fund It TX PowerPoint](#) at a House Party or a meeting to share the facts about public school funding in Texas. It's a terrific tool to help people understand the issues and to share a call to action.

- It offers clear information about school funding in Texas.
- It includes some quick, easy and effective actions to help people make a difference right away.
- It can be used during a short meeting or a long one.
- It's suitable for groups that already know the facts and for groups that are new to the conversation.

Are we ok with Texas being 43rd in per-student spending?

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43rd

Texas students deserve better.

School Spending Report Card

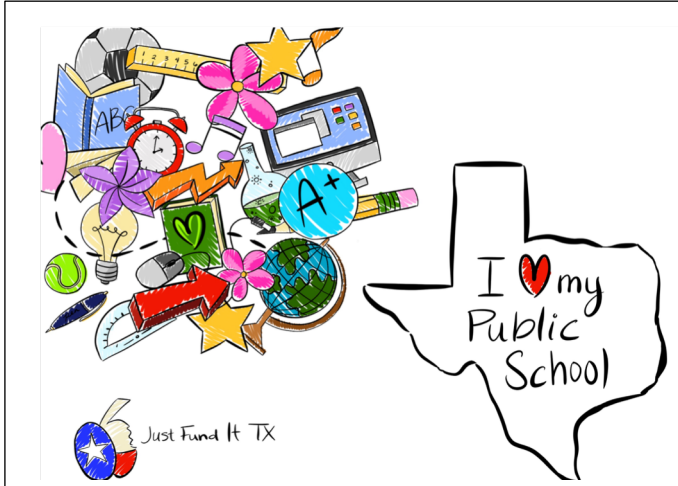
DATA SOURCE: 2018 QUALITY COUNTS REPORT, EDUCATION WEEK

2018 Quality Counts Report, "Education Week"

Just Fund It TX Love Letters

Love Letters are at the heart of the Just Fund It TX outreach campaign – a way for each of us to show legislators that we care, that we are holding them accountable and that we expect more.

Our goal is big: 5.4 million Love Letters, or one for every public school student in Texas. That's a lot of love! Thanks for sharing your love for Texas public schools to help us get there.



The [Love Letter instructions](#) give you pdf files for postcards, tell you how to print them, offer advice about your message and tell you where to send the finished Love Letters so Just Fund It TX can deliver them to lawmakers.

You will find options for printing in color or black and white, and in English or in Spanish.

To save time and money, we also have instructions for using index cards to make your own.

Thanks for helping us share the love!

Encourage people to photograph their Love Letters before you collect them, then share their images on social media with #JustFundItTX and #Don'tMessWithTXKids.

Who Represents Me?

Who Represents Me? This easy tool answers that question.

Use it find your Representative in the Texas House and your Texas State Senator. All you need is your home address.

<https://fyi.capitol.texas.gov/Home.aspx>

Just Fund It TX petition

A group of Texas students started a Just Fund It TX [petition on Change.org](#). Their message? Don't Mess With Texas Kids!

Their petition asks the legislature to increase funding for our students, teachers and public schools. It's a quick and easy way to take action. And the number of supporters is growing quickly!

Thanks for signing it and sharing it!

Videos

Note: These are included in the PowerPoint, but can be helpful to share separately on social media or on a loop if you have a table at an event.

Who Is Really Funding Our Public Schools?



Source	Raise Your Hand Texas www.raiseyourhandtexas.org
Link	https://www.raiseyourhandtexas.org/ryht/who-really-funds-public-schools/
Length	2:20
Description	Our new explainer video shows how we fund Texas schools and how the current system is not serving students or taxpayers. Understanding how public schools are funded is the first step to strengthening our investment in Texas students.

This is Where The Future Begins



Source	Raise Your Hand Texas www.raiseyourhandtexas.org
Link	https://www.raiseyourhandtexas.org/ryht/video-this-is-where-the-future-begins/
Length	2:42
Description	Anyone who recently has set foot in a public school knows how incredible and important work is unfolding under increasingly challenging circumstances. This video is a tribute to every teacher, principal and other educator working to meet the needs of all students in our public schools. Please watch and share for the educators out there, preparing the future.

Creating Facebook Events & Free Evite Email Invitations

Facebook events

Facebook events can be a great way to invite people to an event. It's especially useful if you are hosting an event that's open to anyone.

To create a private or public Facebook event:

- From your News Feed, click Events in the left menu.
- Click + Create Event on the left side.
- Click to choose between a private or public event. If you're creating a public event, you can set the event's host as yourself or a page you manage. You're not able to change the privacy settings once you've created the event.
- Fill in the event name, details, location and time.
- Click Create. You'll be taken to your event where you can invite guests, upload photos, add a cover photo or video, share posts and edit event details.

Evite invitations

[Evite](#) and similar online tools let you create free invitations to share via email. Guests can RSVP and comment, and you can set your invitation to send reminders. You can find [instructions](#) on their website.

Invitation language

You know your audience, so feel free to write your own invitation. Here's some language to get you started:

Did you know that Texas ranks 43rd nationally in per student funding for public schools?
Did you know that Texas is home to 5.4 million public school students – about 10% of all public school kids in the US?
Did you know that Texas increasingly relies on property taxes to pay for our schools?
Did you know that there are some easy ways to learn more and make a difference?

Join us to learn how people from across the state are coming together to make one clear request to Texas legislators: Do the right thing – adequately fund public education!

This is a chance to learn the facts and to take some fun and easy actions with a group of other public education supporters. It's our chance to show our love for public schools and the future of Texas!

Handouts

You might want to send guests home with handouts – lists of the ways they can get more involved, school finance basics that they can share or ways they can connect with Just Fund It TX to get action alerts or become volunteers. Here are some links, in case you want to send handouts home with people:

- [Get Involved](#)
- [Texas School Finance Basics](#)
- [Just Fund It TX](#)