

Model Letter for Justine Greening, Secretary of State for Education

Right Honourable Justine Greening, MP,
Secretary of State for Education,
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Dear Justine Greening,

I am shocked to learn that the new National Funding Formula for schools will not see schools across the country being funded more equally. My child attends school in Cambridgeshire which has been one of the worst funded schools in the country for years. Despite this, almost a third of schools in Cambridgeshire are going to lose money if the proposed changes are introduced and others will see only a small rise.

This will mean that Cambridgeshire children will receive much less than the national average for their education.

As a parent I had thought that the aim of the reforms was to make funding fairer. Instead, my child's school will continue to receive much less money to pay for his/her education than children in most other schools in the country. This is not fair for my child or for his/her school.

I believe that the proposed National Funding Formula needs to be changed so that funding is more equal. Every school should receive enough money to cover its basic running costs. There should be more money in the lump sum and the funding that every child receives for their education to cover these basic costs. Only then should money be distributed to tackle issues such as poverty.

I urge you to change the proposed National Funding Formula for Schools so that my child's school receives a fair amount of funding to pay for their education.

Yours sincerely,