



Dear Neighbor,

House Bill 96, the state operating budget, is now in the hands of the Ohio Senate. I voted “no” on the operating budget in the House because, despite minimal improvements while in House committee, it still misses the mark for Ohioans.

Priorities in this budget, as passed by the House, dumps more taxpayer money into vouchers for charter non-public and private schools at the expense of the constitutional and bipartisan fair school funding formula, and authorizes a \$600M handout to billionaires to build a new Browns stadium outside of Cleveland amidst opposition by local leaders.

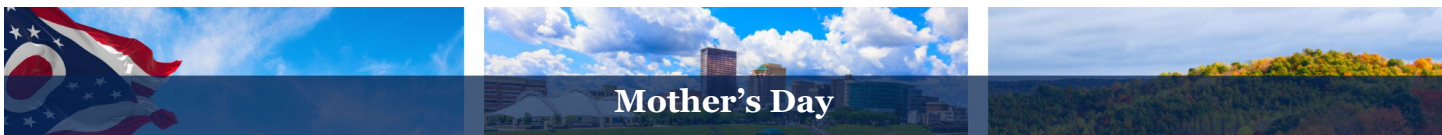
I am calling on the Ohio Senate to restore key provisions in Governor Mike DeWine’s executive budget that fund childcare, public libraries, Medicaid, affordable housing, clean drinking water, and lead abatement funding.

Contact the Senate President Rob McColley at (614) 466-8150 or mccolley@ohiosenate.gov and Finance Chairman Jerry Cirino at (614) 644-7718 or cirino@ohiosenate.gov and tell them to amend the budget to adequate support all Ohioans.

Sincerely,

Meredith R. Lawson-Rowe
State Representative
Ohio House District 5





Mother's Day is **Sunday, May 11**. I personally want to shout-out all of the women who play a mothering role to someone, whether its your own children, or the children of another, you are the backbone of our society.

Our mothers are often our first teachers. They nurture us and our potential. So take some time this weekend to celebrate your mother or yourself if you have ever played a mothering role in the someone else's life.

On behalf of myself and House District 5, Happy Mother's Day!



Teacher Appreciation Week



I was pleased to host 25 exemplary teachers from my district at the Ohio House of Representatives.

They are just some of the more than 100,000 educators across Ohio, and nearly 4 million educators across the United States, who wake up daily to give tirelessly and sacrificially of themselves so that our children and grandchildren receive a quality primary education and are.

Our teachers are some of the most overworked and underpaid professionals in our state. Yet and still, they go to work with the same goal: to teach our children and to encourage them to fulfill their maximum potential. People do not become teachers because they want to get rich; they do it because they have a genuine devotion to educating and empowering our youth.

So I task you to reflect on the positive and monumental impact that a teacher or teachers have had on your life or the life of your children. And to all the teachers in House District 5 and across the state, Happy Teacher Appreciation Week.

Local Shoutout

House District 5 is the district of champions! This month, I was pleased to honor the Canal Winchester High School Competitive Cheer Team on the floor of the Ohio House of Representatives for their recent state championship, their ninth in team history. Congratulations, again, young ladies!





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