



## *Walker's Budget and Public Education*



At a time when many states are experiencing budget surpluses, Gov. Walker is trying to hide his economic failures that created a \$2 billion deficit.

I have many concerns about Walker's proposed budget. It slashes \$15 million from SeniorCare, cuts public radio and television funding, and removes 50% of Wisconsin's recycling budget.

While in office Governor Walker has also cut funding across every level of public education. We are seeing an ongoing and relentless attack. Last session, he and the Republican-controlled legislature cut \$250 million from UW funding, \$1.6 billion from K-12 education, and \$70 million from Wisconsin's Tech schools.

This session, he slashes \$127 million in per-student state aid to primary schools statewide with \$12 million taken from Milwaukee Public Schools alone. Walker's proposed budget also pursues a massive \$300 million cut to our internationally-renowned UW System. This is no less than a full frontal assault on our affordable, high-quality higher education system.

I am a huge proponent of our public school systems and find it disgusting that there is an ongoing attack on it in our state. I will continue to fight against any efforts to reduce the abilities and effectiveness of our UW and K-12 systems, including cuts to funding.

I hope you will join me in signing and sharing the online petition, linked [here](#), to save our UW System.