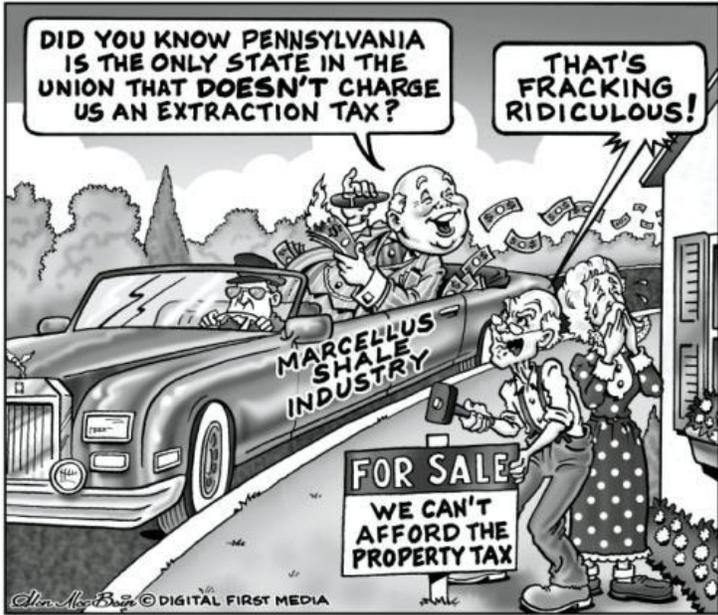


# What can state lawmakers do to fund our schools?



## Tax the Shale so gas drillers pay their fair share.

We are all paying higher property taxes to support our schools while natural gas drillers are enjoying huge profits.

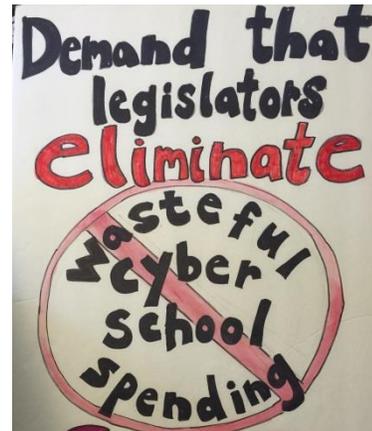
Our state lawmakers **MUST** support a tax on the Shale this year and invest in our schools.

## Eliminate overpayments to cyber charter schools & save PA school districts \$160 million per year.

Under current law, the state mandates that school districts pay cyber schools far more than it costs them to educate children (from \$9,000-\$40,000 per student per year).

Governor Wolf has proposed ending this wasteful spending by paying cyber charter schools a standard tuition rate of \$5950 per student per year.

SASD would save \$350,000 per year if lawmakers support cyber school funding reform and be able to reinvest that money into our schools.



## Enact a Formula to provide fair and adequate funding to our schools

PA is 1 of only 3 states that does not use a formula to allocate state funding to school districts. **Instead, state funding for school districts is based on political considerations and deals legislators cut in Harrisburg.** As a result, school districts with powerful legislators receive extra state funding, while districts like SASD do not.

State funding is based on the number of students who were in school districts in 1991-1992. Hundreds of new students have enrolled in SASD since 1992. **We receive no additional state funding for these students; instead local taxpayers must pay more.**

Please contact your state senator and representative today and ask them to **tax the shale, support cyber charter school funding reform AND implement a formula for funding education that is based on what it costs to educate children, not on politics and deals lawmakers cut in Harrisburg.**

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Representative Mark Keller: 717-582-8119 (SASD in Cumberland County)

Representative Rob Kauffman: 264-3943 (SASD in Franklin County)

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