



## **Guidelines for PTO Budget Participation**

### **Via Children's Backpacks**

- PTO's may inform parents of dates and times of public hearings on the school budget
- PTO's may inform parents of dates and times for upcoming referendums
- PTO's may inform parents about voter registration and absentee ballot process
- PTO's may provide web addresses, links to budget educational information
- PTO's cannot influence which way parents should vote (eg. Yes or No) or the state an opinion of the PTO

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- PTO's may inform parents of dates and times for upcoming referendums
- PTO's may inform parents about voter registration and absentee ballot process
- PTO's may provide direct educational information regarding the budget, as well as web addresses and links to other available information
- PTO's may encourage parents to vote a particular way and may state the opinion of the PTO
- All information that contains a pro-education stance must be reviewed by the School Administration and the Superintendent

### **Financing**

- PTO's may not use school equipment or supplies for the creation or copying of budget announcements or information.
- PTO's may not exceed total expense of the total of \$.10 per registered voter in Madison