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I am a parent of two high school children, who graduated from Gresham Arthur Academy. They have a very successful high school life, where they are involve with band, Key Club, API, National Honor Society and Cross Country, as well as holding a 3.973 & 4.0 GPA. I attribute their success in high school to the good foundation that they received at Gresham Arthur Academy.

While my children have moved on, I am now working part-time at Gresham Arthur Academy. Behind the scene, I have seen how much these teachers and principal care about the success of the students. They work hard to ensure that every one is learning. If students falls behind, they address immediately. They provide interventions to students who need it.

I am shocked to hear the level of funding that Gresham Arthur Academy receive from the district. 80% to cover everything at the school including rent. The school has been working with very limited resources this year, while the students seem to need more and more support. The student at Gresham Arthur Academy deserve this funding. They deserve to have teachers who can concentrate on teaching, support staff who can help students with their social learning and admin that support them all.