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I have been teaching for over 20 years and this year is the most I have been asked to stretch as far as funding goes. I teach a kindergarten and first grade blend with no Educational Assistant support on many days. Next year, I will have more students and even less support. Lowering class sizes and prioritizing Special Education is imperative. Kindergarten students often come to school without any previous schooling experience and need support in ways no one expects. Please keep us safe and thanks for all you do.