



Action Needed

May 7, 2026

Good morning members,

It is not unreasonable to expect that when you work hard and give your all, you should be able to build a stable and successful life, both professionally and economically. Yet, more and more we are struggling to pay bills, afford rent, buy groceries, and keep up with the rising cost of health care.

For the third year in a row, Florida ranks 50th in the nation for average teacher salaries. Support staff salaries, including those of skilled trades and service professionals, also remain among the lowest in the country, leaving many employees struggling to afford the basic necessities

While the state continues to fail to adequately fund public education, more than 30 school districts across Florida have turned to the voters for support through referendums. A referendum in VCS has the potential to bring millions of dollars into the district for employee salaries and student programs.

Please take two minutes to watch a short video and then take action by sending an email to the members of the board encouraging them to move the referendum process forward.

Watch this short video from Elizabeth: <https://youtu.be/3WWXYO0RKx4>

Send an email to the members of the VCS board:

<https://secure.ngpvan.com/n7LV1i9xfUSlhC3pvEwuoA2>

The email provides a template for your consideration, but you are free to change it. However, if you do, please remember to remain professional.

We also need you to attend the board meeting on Tuesday, May 12th. The board needs to know how important this referendum is to us and our families. Our voice matters right now and what we do in this moment can make a real difference.

In Solidarity,

Elizabeth