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Observations

1. Teachers do more with less.
2. Salaries
3. Early years reduced stuff now reduce people.
4. At risk/special education cut
5. What more to cut
6. Cuts run contrary to the mission statement.
7. Cuts have been peripheral people now t. teaching kids
8. Last round everyone was affected
9. 07-08 no cuts
 - explanation spring 07-ok
 - housing tanked budgeted for 6 k students
 - lost \$10 million lack of funding from state however hired \$10 million
10. Class size is on the rise
11. Teacher support on the decline; asking teachers to do more with less help creating additional stress for teachers which is impacting instruction.
12. Initial cuts were the easy cuts.
13. Drug testing eliminated; counseling reduced
14. Time to make tough choices
15. All factions have been impacted by the cuts which is increasing public concern.
16. Biggest reductions that impact the budget are salary related/student-teacher ratios.
17. Hard to reduce significantly w/o lowering quality of education
18. Reduction of M.S. and H.S. teachers 2006-2007 ... 2008-2009
19. Reduction of remedial personnel and tutorial services and paraprofessionals
20. 2004-2005 and 2005-2006 reductions were only in non-personnel areas

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21. 2006-2007 most cuts were in personnel. Eliminated in-city but out of district field trips. Not teachers. Middle school media specialist reduction
22. 2008-2009 – high school media specialist reduction. Special ed teacher reduction. Student/teacher ratio increase.
23. 2009-2010 – savings by increasing student-teacher ration - hard cost reductions
24. Shocking how many dollars have been cut at the school level.
25. A lot of cuts for the at-risk, special education programs.