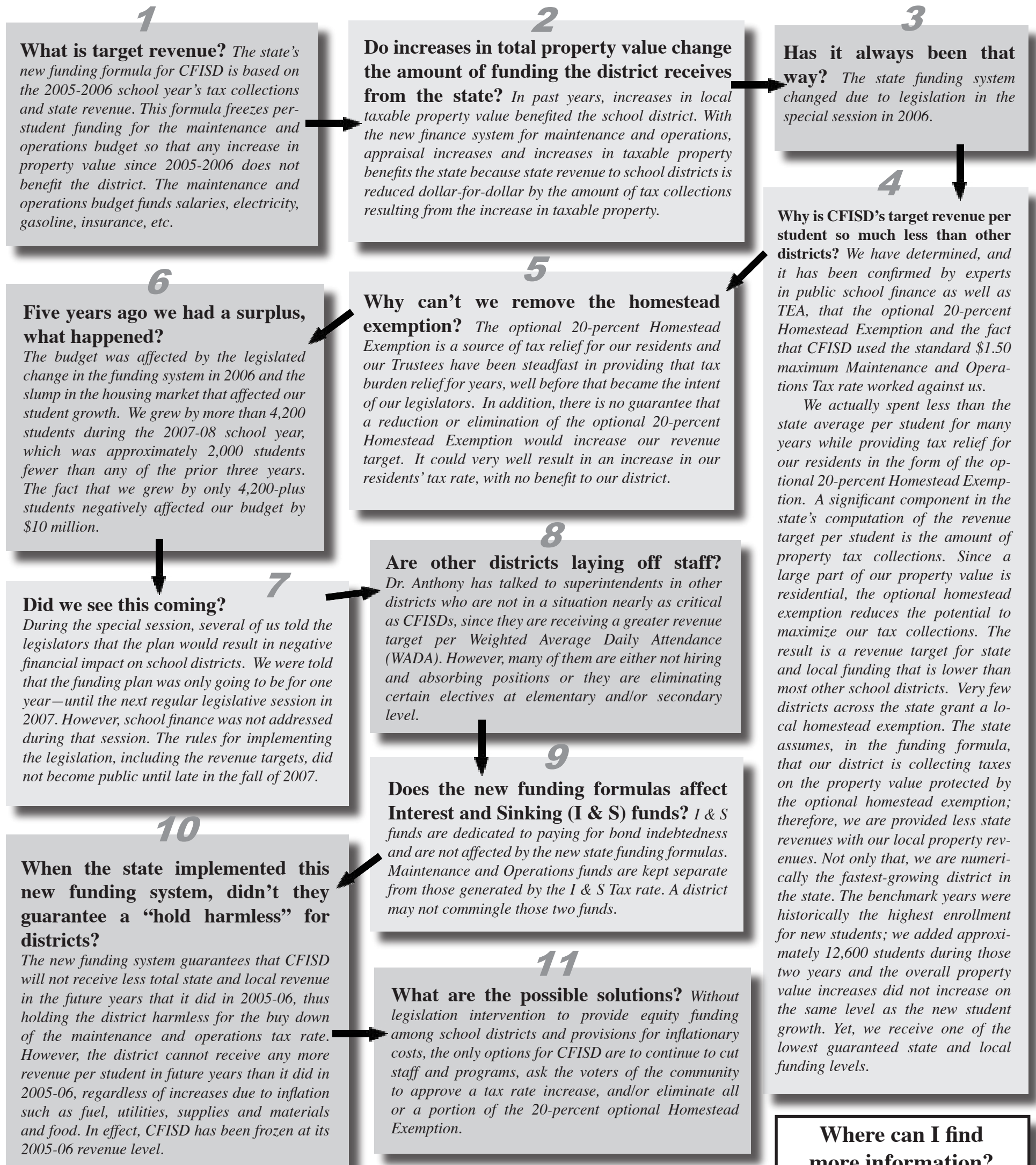


CFISD heads into a new school year with 456 positions cut from the budget

Last spring, the district was forced to cut 456 positions from its projected budget for this year in order to adopt a balanced budget. These cuts were a direct result of the inequity of the new state funding formulas. Cypress-Fairbanks ISD's target revenue per student is the lowest in the area and second lowest compared to other large districts in the state. The financial situation is critical. The reduction

in force for this school year can only be a temporary solution. Realistically, the district cannot continue to reduce its workforce without affecting the quality of instruction that has become a hallmark of this community.

The following are questions and answers to promote a clearer understanding of the need for immediate change in state funding of public schools:



How can we help? *This past spring, Dr. Anthony met with state legislators representing our area to discuss the impact the new funding formula has had on CFISD and on public education statewide. Senator Dan Patrick and Representative Patricia Harless were particularly interested in solving the financial crisis resulting from the new state funding formulas. CFISD parents and patrons can help by contacting their legislators to communicate the critical state of finance in CFISD and the need for immediate change in how public schools are funded. Contact information for state senators and representatives is located on the district website at*

Where can I find more information?

Parents and taxpayers are encouraged to monitor the district's website throughout the year for information. In addition, patrons are encouraged to sign up as a CFISD Key Communicator by sending their email addresses to info@cfisd.net.