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# **Belt Tightening**

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SPRINGBORO, Ohio –

This week the Board of Education approved another round of cuts equaling about \$467,000. Added to other cuts made this year, that brings the 12 month total to about \$3.4 million dollars in belt tightening. This third round of cuts eliminated training for teachers, overtime, not hiring subs for custodians when they are out sick, reduction of classroom supplies by \$100,000, laying off 12 custodians as of February 1, 2009, and no summer help to paint and clean.

Since the community has failed three levies, the school district has tightened their belts in the following ways:

1. Elimination of 16 new teaching positions	\$800,000
2. Reduction in bus driver hours by cutting high school busing	\$265,000
3. Laying off 12 custodians	\$341,000
4. Savings of benefits for the above listings	\$347,000
5. Elimination of purchased services such as staff training, utilities, bus fuel, buses	\$338,000
6. Classroom supplies, textbooks, and educational materials cut	\$516,000
7. Base salary freezes	\$625,000
8. Reduction in replacement of broken or damaged equipment, repairs not made	\$153,000
Total	\$3,385,000

Now that we have tightened our belts for this year, we need to begin planning for next school year and the 250 new students we will add to our enrollment. With these additional students entering in the fall of 2009, that will total over 500 new students since we added any teachers. It is time to move ahead and resume the education of our leaders of tomorrow.