

# EACC MEMBERS, it's time to Speak Up and ask the Commissioners to Step Up, Pay Up & Keep Up!

Typically, the Charles County Commissioners' Public Hearing on the budget is held in May and we were anticipating and preparing based on that timeline. We were dismayed to learn that it had been scheduled in early April. Due to this unexpected change, there was not enough prior notice of this meeting for us to give you, the EACC members, ample time to arrange your schedules to attend and formulate your thoughts to speak adequately about your priorities.

Therefore, we are asking you to write letters to the Commissioners and email them to us at [eaccgr@gmail.com](mailto:eaccgr@gmail.com). We will submit them on your behalf before the public record closes on April 24, 2018 at 5:00 PM for this recent April 10th Public Hearing. *Please email your letters to us by Noon on April 24, 2018. For submitting a letter to us by the deadline, you will receive a free black EACC t-shirt and have your name entered into a drawing for a \$50 VISA gift card.*

Points to consider for your letter are:

- ⇒ **Step Up** — Recapture the lost steps from FY11 & FY15
- ⇒ **Pay Up** — Reflect education and experience appropriately in educators' pay scales.
- ⇒ **Keep Up** — Achieve competitive salaries based on similar demographics of other counties.

(Please see your EACC rep for additional talking points.)



## BUT WAIT, THERE'S MORE!

We still want the Commissioners to see us in person so they know how important public education is to Charles County. We are **#TeamEACC** and we are **#StrongerTogether!**

Plan to attend the additional Commissioners' Public Hearing on the Constant Yield Tax Rate on the evening of **May 1st at 6:30 PM at the Charles County Government Building, 200 Baltimore St, La Plata**. This will be a silent showing of educators and the EACC has arranged to have special presenters who will speak to the impact of appropriate funding on public education.

- Wear your black EACC t-shirt if you already have one.
- Register for the event and get a free black EACC t-shirt while supplies last!
- Free Deputy Dogs meal for pre-registered EACC members. Members can order additional meals for family members at \$6.50 per person when pre-registering online. **DEADLINE TO REGISTER ONLINE FOR THE MEAL IS 4-24**. No additional meals will be sold at the Public Hearing. Dinner is served outside the County Government Building from 4:45-6:15 PM.
- Any EACC member who attends the hearing will be entered into a drawing to win Fire HD 10

Please **REGISTER** at:

**<http://teameacc.org/register-for-events/>**

