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Fulton County Board of Education Statement on Tax Collection Delay

Due to the failure of the Fulton County Commissioners, Fulton County school tax bills have not been sent for this fiscal year which began July 1. These bills should have been sent in August with receipts starting in October. Because these bills have not been sent, the District has been forced to operate on its cash reserves. However, that reserve runs out December 15, 2017.

Accordingly, we have been left with no option but to take legal action asking a judge to order that these tax bills be sent immediately. A hearing on this matter is set for Friday, November 3.

The Fulton County School System has always operated in a fiscally responsible manner. However, you should know that even a favorable ruling will not solve our problem because tax collections will not be fully realized until January 2018. Therefore, we are taking additional internal actions to limit our expenses during this time of financial crisis. Know that our priority is student safety and taking care of our 14,000 valued employees.

Linda Bryant, President
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