What is happening in other states?

1. Oregon and Nevada legislature approved 18% increases in funding.

2. Utah legislature approved a 20% increase in funding.

3. Arkansas legislature approved an additional $40 million to pre-kindergarten with a total investment of $111 million.

4. Tennessee legislature approved an additional $25 million to pre-kindergarten with a total investment of over $80 million.

5. Pennsylvania legislature invested $75 million more to 3 and 4 year olds, this reaches an additional 11,000 kids. The program, called Pre-K Counts, will ensure its teachers have Bachelor’s degrees, ongoing staff development, low class sizes, and low teacher ratios.

6. Louisiana legislature invested an additional $462 million – targeting an increase in teacher salaries, high school initiatives to halve the dropout rate and increase graduation rates, and technology – including laptops to every 6th grader.

7. Florida cut local property taxes putting the legislature in the position of backfilling lost tax dollars or cutting K-12 funding.

8. North Dakota legislature increased funding by 13%, which settled the adequacy lawsuit that was filed against the state.

9. Ohio legislature and the governor froze tuition increases in higher-ed and approved a $100 million dollar scholarship program for math and science students.