

January 22, 2020

Mr. Daniel Wiebers  
Superintendent  
Chillicothe R-II (059-117)  
1020 Old Hwy 36 W  
Chillicothe, MO 64601-0530

Dear Mr. Wiebers:

We have discussed on the phone the Chillicothe R-II School District's unrestricted fund balance percentage in the combined Incidental and Teachers' funds has dropped each of the last five years; going from 25.17% in 2015 to 12.34% in 2019. While the Chillicothe R-II School District has not been identified as financially stressed, this continuous drop is reason for concern and could lead, if the trend continues, to financially stressed status.

Please be aware of this as you monitor the Chillicothe R-II's 2019-20 budget and as the 2020-21 budget is developed.

If you have any questions, you may contact me at [David.Tramel@dese.mo.gov](mailto:David.Tramel@dese.mo.gov) or at (573) 751-0357.

Sincerely,



David Tramel  
Coordinator  
School Financial & Administrative Services

c: Dr. Roger Dorson, Deputy Commissioner, DESE