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TSTA: Abbott wrong to appeal school finance decision

The Texas State Teachers Association said today that Attorney General Greg Abbott's decision to appeal the school finance ruling is a huge disservice to school children, educators and Texas taxpayers.

"Despite being caught telling a lie in the first gubernatorial debate, Greg Abbott did not have to appeal the district court ruling that found the state's school funding system inadequate and unconstitutional," said TSTA President Noel Candelaria. "By filing this appeal, Abbott made it very clear that he is willing to make five million Texas students wait another year or more for the resources crucial to their success."

"We demand that Abbott quit wasting tax dollars and drop an appeal that robs our children of the opportunity guaranteed them by our great state," Candelaria added. "Legislators should begin working now on a fair and legal school funding plan that can be enacted during next year's session."