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A recent article pointed out that Haddam receives the lowest amount of state education funds compared to surrounding towns. The towns like Killingworth, East Hampton, etc with higher median income of it's citizens compared to ours, receive millions of dollars more than we do. Our taxes are very high, with most of the tax money going toward the education budget. The nuclear power plant Connecticut Yankee, for many years, contributed toward our tax base, but it has been closed now for several years and therefore, no longer is a contributor as a business. We have very few businesses in our town, so the private homeowners are the major contributors to the taxes needed to run this town. My family supports the school system, which has always been excellent. My daughter teaches in Regional District 17 and my husband is retired from the same school system. We are both retired and now must consider if we can afford to stay in this town due to the high taxes. Please consider making the state funds for education more equitable for Haddam. Thank you. Linda Talbott

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