

**Subject:** Support for Senate Bill 819

Hello,

My name is Kyle Hunter and I am writing in support of Senate Bill 819 as a parent and a teacher at Trillium Charter School in Portland, Oregon.

As a parent, I am so thankful for what Trillium has done for my daughter in both her educational and personal growth. My daughter started her education in traditional schools and was successful academically and had friends but never really felt comfortable. This did not allow for her to be the best she is capable of. The Trillium community has been instrumental in her growth and it is so amazing to see her being so confident, smart, and most importantly to us, HAPPY!

As a teacher, I am so grateful that I work at a school that recognizes students are diverse learners, capable of following their interests and as a result enhancing their learning from the ownership they have with it. Without providing this opportunity I know some students (my own included) would not have as rich a learning experience.

Passage of Senate Bill 819 would not only allow for us to keep doing what we are doing but it would allow for us to do it at a higher level by providing resources we currently lack.

Thank you for your vote, my daughter, myself, and Trillium Community really appreciate it.

Sincerely,

Kyle and Marley Hunter