

Subject: Yes on SB 819

To: [Sen.HermanBaertschiger@state.or.us](mailto:Sen.HermanBaertschiger@state.or.us)

Hello Senator Baertschiger,

I am a parent of a child in kindergarten that attends Emerson charter school in Portland. You may already know that Emerson received 58% of the funding that other Portland public schools get. Having been participating and volunteering at Emerson over the last seven months, I have been very impressed with how far they stretch their resources. Yet, it is tough to keep talented teachers and updated equipment when the resources simply aren't there. I think Emerson has proved itself a worthy educational institution by getting 5 out of 5 of the state report card and one of only two schools in the district to get 100% on the Oregon ESEA waiver.

I am asking you to pass SB 819 to give Emerson the funding it deserves and desperately needs.

Thank you for your time.

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Parent of Emerson Charter School Student