

Subject: Yes on SB819 & SB829

Please vote yes on SB819 and SB829 which will come to the Education Committee on Tues. April 7, and I urge you to ask encourage your colleagues on the committee to vote yes.

One of my children attends an Oregon Dept.of Education sponsored charter school, the other a Portland Public Schools school; both are great schools, both deserve equal funding. The state sponsored charter needs more funding to provide the great education that is possible.

The Ivy School is a charter as charters were intended: a non-profit created out of a need for an alternative educational model. The Ivy School provides a free Montessori education for a diverse student body who were not thriving in the traditional public schools. Public school students deserve to have alternatives like The Ivy School, and they deserve the same funding they would receive at their neighborhood schools. SB819 would significantly increase our school's funding, and help us continue to improve the quality of Montessori education that our children receive at The Ivy School. Thank you very much for your attention to this important issue.

Sincerely,
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