

Subject: Support SB819

Greetings,

We are registered Democrat in your district, and our child attends an Oregon Dept.of Education sponsored charter school, The Ivy School, which is also located in your district. We strongly encourage you to help support SB819 and SB829 which will come to the Education Committee on Tues. April 7...TODAY. SB819 would significantly increase our school's funding, and help us continue to improve the quality of Montessori education that our children receive.

SB819 would increase funding for charters significantly, giving us 95% of the total education dollar instead of the current approximately 58% that we receive. This is a game changer.

SB819, the funding bill, is our top concern! Oregon public charter schools in 2012-13 received less public funding on a per student basis than their district-run counterparts...42% less funding...\$5,000 less per student! Please help support The Ivy School, a public Charter Montessori school.

Sincerely,

Alexis and Brad Bouchard