

Good afternoon,

My name is Andy Crocker and I am the science chair at Oakland High School and also the TAG coordinator for the high school. For years, the only funding we have had for TAG students came from the individual grants I wrote to support our TAG program at the high school. This is still the funding source of all of the money for the program (aside from a bit of money the district spends for our transportation costs) which we use to take kids on enrichment trips, fund their tuition for specific courses they want to take, and to buy software and/or hardware that supports their needs. As you know, Special Education students on the low end of the spectrum receive federal funding. It's time we invested in the upper end kids as well. Please support this bill which would give us at least some money to work with.

Thank you,

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