

Fellow Oregonians - HB 2587 is going in the right direction

- 1) Modifies state educational goals to take into consideration students' aspirations.
- 2) To provide students with well-rounded education.

To illustrate what **well-rounded means** I've attached an article from the D.C. Public Schools where they are investing \$6.2 million to ensure that every middle school student can participate in **at least one extracurricular activity**. New offerings include coding clubs, lacrosse, **wrestling**, rugby, archery, hockey, a wheelchair track and field and unified basketball for students with disabilities.

This written presentation is also intended to be a history lesson about Oregon's long and storied multi-generational past in college and high school wrestling that is now over **one-hundred years old**. The northwest conference (Oregon, Oregon State, Whitman, Washington, Washington State and Idaho) had been formed.

In the 1924 Paris Olympic games Rus Vis and Robin Reed won gold medals and Chet Newton a silver medal to become Oregon's first ever medalists. Portland State's Rick Sanders won a silver in the 1968 Mexico City and the 1972 Munich Olympic games. In 1997 Oregon State's Les Gutches was a World Champion.

I look forward to providing verbal testimony tomorrow in Room HR F

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