



## PLEASE VOTE YES ON HB 2246A and SB 5516A

### INCREASE FLEXIBILITY FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS, HONOR VOTER INTENT ON MEASURE 98

**Measure 98** was overwhelmingly approved by voters in Oregon last November, receiving support by a 2-to-1 margin and passing in every single legislative district. The Measure provides targeted resources to address Oregon's stagnant high school graduation rates. Districts applying for Measure 98 funds must dedicate those resources to expanding and/or establishing three key strands to help students succeed:

1. Career technical education (CTE) programs;
2. Access to college-level and college-prep courses;
3. Proven dropout prevention strategies.

**HB 2246A** provides districts with more flexibility to implement Measure 98, while maintaining fidelity to voters' intent. A bipartisan workgroup drafted the bill.

#### **HB 2246A changes Measure 98 in the following ways:**

1. Requires school districts to submit a four-year plan every two years.
2. Provides flexibility to small- and medium-sized school districts based on their Measure 98 allocation.
3. Allows school districts to spend up to 15% of their non-administrative Measure 98 allocation on eighth grade activities that align with the Measure 98 strands.

**173 school districts and 39 public charter schools have submitted a request for Measure 98 funds.**

**SB 5516A** provides funding for Measure 98 (\$170 million) and other critical CTE investments like CTE revitalization, Career Pathways, STEM/CTE Hubs, and more (\$28.7 million). These efforts are helping raise graduation rates for Oregon students across the board.

| Oregon Student Population<br>Class of 2015 | CTE, 4-Year<br>Graduation Rate | Statewide, 4-Year<br>Graduation Rate | Difference |
|--|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------|
| American Indian/Alaska Native Students     | 82%                            | 55%                                  | 27%        |
| Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students  | 90%                            | 63%                                  | 27%        |
| Black/African American Students            | 82%                            | 63%                                  | 19%        |
| Hispanic/Latino Students                   | 86%                            | 67%                                  | 19%        |
| Multi-Racial Students                      | 87%                            | 73%                                  | 14%        |
| White Students                             | 88%                            | 76%                                  | 12%        |
| Asian Students                             | 94%                            | 87%                                  | 7%         |
| All Students                               | 88%                            | 74%                                  | 14%        |

Source: Oregon Department of Education

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# SUPPORTERS OF HB 2246A and SB 5516A

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