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## HB4036 testimony

As a pediatrician and a parent of 2 girls, I would like to submit my support for HB4036, which would allow homeschooled students to participate in their local schools' activities.

Families often choose to homeschool for medical reasons, academic reasons, or family circumstances/preference. No matter what the reason for homeschooling, homeschooled children would benefit substantially from being able to participate in activities in their local schools. Participation would allow homeschoolers to socialize and form relationships with their peers who attend their local schools, thereby broadening their social horizons. Participation would also expose them to new teaching styles and opportunities, and allow them to share their unique talents and skills with other children (and adults!)

Thank you for your consideration.

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