

From: jaw1166@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Jennifer Hurlburt](#)
To: [JCSS Exhibits](#)
Subject: April 11 Hearing - Supportive testimony for HB 2019
Date: Tuesday, April 9, 2019 6:18:59 PM

Dear Joint Committee on Student success,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony regarding the Student Success Act. I would like to see a portion of this funding spent on training for Special Education teachers and classroom aids, the stories of children being sent to isolation rooms is heartbreaking. The use of these rooms demonstrates a lack of training, understanding, and resources. I would like to see sensory rooms made available for children with special needs who need to step away from too much noise, stimulation, etc. Rather than a punishment using isolation rooms, sensory rooms would help dispel behaviors that are difficult for Special Ed students to control and provide a safe place to relax, re-center, then re-join their classroom.

I would also like to see this money used to bring back art, music, PE, and vocational classes to Oregon classrooms. Including these classes encourages students to explore their individual interests and learn skills that they can carry forward beyond school. This means better attendance, better graduation rates.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Hurlburt
4004 NE Maywood Pl Portland, OR 97220-3647