

To those who will listen:

I've spent 37 years on my local school board. This is the first time since Measure 5 passed that I think YOU have something positive to contribute. It's a damned shame it took this long. The kids in our state have long been denied the funding necessary to compete in our international environment. My education 50 years ago was better funded and better delivered than you currently allow to happen! You have the evidence-do you have the courage to deliver what they deserve? We see suicide rates increasing. We know classroom discipline is challenged and so many children are without the basics of safety, nurturing and health care. It's time OREGON led instead of followed the rest of the nation. Stand up for the kids who will keep Social Security solvent, invent the next Internet and deal with climate change. Make Oregon the example instead of the also ran. We have some of the finest companies in the world right here. Reach out and create a partnership that takes their best brains and ties them to our best young brains. Be creative risk takers with big dreams and hearts. I want my grand kids to be proud of you for taking the action you know is necessary!

o We've been under funding our schools and shortchanging our students for decades. The time to act is now, and this is a landmark opportunity to do so. o HB 2019 would give our students the resources they need and the high quality education they deserve. o The Student Success Act would create fairness in our tax system for the benefit of Oregon students. It prioritizes protecting small businesses, while also providing needed revenue for our schools and students. o With measures to ensure funds are being spent wisely, HB 2019 is an accountable way to finally provide critical revenue for Oregon schools. o This transformational investment in our schools will mean lower class sizes, increased graduation rates, expanded CTE programs and safer schools through more social-emotional learning. o Please vote Yes for The Student Success Act (HB 2019).

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