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To: <u>JCSS Exhibits</u>

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Dear Joint Committee on Student success,

As an educator I feel it is hypocritical of Oregon State to require the highest standards in the nation for teachers, while providing low pay compared with our neighboring states, under funded schools and dilapidated school buildings, and the lowest corporate tax rate in the nation. It is time we actually show up for our children's needs. It is time to take education funding seriously. It is time to switch priorities and give the credence to public education that it deserves.

Thank you,

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Sincerely,

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