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Dear Joint Commitee on Student success,

My son is in a second grade class of 33 students and is looking to be in the same situation next year. He is a highly motivated, smart kid and even though he is excelling at school he still tells me that it is hard to concentrate because it is noisy and crowded. And this is in a classroom with a dedicated educational assistant! I have a kindergartener who is facing the same situation in a couple years. This can only change when funding is put into schools so that districts like PPS can build or update schools so that the huge influx of residents will have places to send their children to school. It is not our school's fault that we have large class sizes--it is under-funded education. We are not asking for teacher raises or better benefits--we are asking for money to teach children and meet their needs!!

Sincerely, Raena Nelson 5006 SW Maplewood Rd Portland, OR 97219-1444