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Dear Joint Committee on Student success,

Dear Student Success Committee Members:

I am a parent of three students at Portland Public Schools. New funding is urgently needed for our public schools in order for students to be successful and competitive. Sadly, essential components of a strong curriculum are lacking. My two elementary kids have art class one time every other week and music class just once week. My son who is dyslexic has had to receive outside testing and tutoring because there are not adequate resources for him at school. While I applaud the teachers and administrators for doing the best they can, there simply needs to be additional funding so that more staff can be added and programs like art can be restored. My family is fortunate to be able to pay for outside tutoring and enrichment classes but there are many children that do not have that luxury. To achieve a more equitable society we need to provide a robust and competitive public education for all Oregon students. An investment in our children's education will pay dividends in the future.

Sincerely,
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