

Hello,

I am an Oregon resident, an Oregon teacher, and a parent of a future Oregon student. I see this chance to make a clear investment in our state and urge all the lawmakers to seize this moment and correct the abysmal draining of our future.

**Please support FULL funding for K-12 education as well as pre-k, and 2 and 4 year colleges! Please create new revenue sources that will stabilize the embarrassing boom and bust (and bust again) cycle of Oregon schools.**

As a teacher, I have seen the reduction in services, librarians, core classes--including civics, music and arts programs, and over-inflated classroom sizes where students arrive unprepared to learn and they leave under prepared for a rapidly changing job market.

The economy in Oregon has never been better, but more and more students arrive to school with the negative effects of poverty, PTSD, sleep disorders, and pharmaceuticals, without the mental health support that they need, on site, at our schools. The results are that teachers are asked to be mental health professionals instead of skills and knowledge builders. This is a bad formula for catching up students who are already behind.

Please work to ensure that my 3 year old son, will enter a school that has the resources that he and his classmates need to thrive, rather than just survive.

We deserve better!

Thank you,

David Moss