

Dear Chairs and committee members,

Our child has significantly struggled without therapy, support or no in person school. Regression has been an issue and I am considering leaving the state. I am writing this from a vacation in Idaho because Oregon has utterly FAILED my family and I am considering our choices for Fall, in spite of my initiative to homeschool and support my kids on our own, we need a state that is open and has full time in person school.

Once school reopened We couldn't get a mask accommodation for her disabilities or autism/communication disorder services just to name a few. We tried from March to September to do online zoom therapy but it didn't work and we finally just pulled her to homeschool. We are now back on the waitlist to have in person therapy but it is months out.

My middle school son is hard of hearing and asthmatic and his IEP accommodations didn't have anything to do with CDL which was an abysmal failure.

I don't feel comfortable publicly telling you of our struggles with mental health issues but this should be enough to know Oregon failed kids, could have done better and should do better from this moment on.

Regards,  
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