

As a father of second graders, I am grateful to live in the state of Oregon, where my wife and I have several options in providing a quality education to our daughters. Although the public school system is a good choice for some families, and homeschooling works for other families, we have chosen a private school which teaches in a manner consistent with classical education. Several vital disciplines are emphasized, including critical thinking, the arts, and religion specific to our faith. Without this school, our options would be seriously hampered. Please consider our opposition to bill SB223. I respectfully thank you.