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Oregon House Education Committee
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RE: HB 2412, -2 Amendments

Chair Alonso Leon and Members of the House Education Committee,

I'm writing today to urge your support and adoption of the -2 amendments to HB 2412. This amendment includes funding for five different college access programs that were funded in the Governor's Recommended Budget. These five programs provide valuable access and support for low-income and historically underserved students and help them to achieve their post-secondary goals.

One such program is Advancement Via Individual determination (AVID). Scio High School, a rural school, implemented AVID in 2017-18 and have seen a shift in the culture. We have more students going on to post secondary education or entering a trade. We want to be able to implement the program in the Middle School as well as our elementary school and the adoption of the -2 amendments to HB 2412 will allow us to move forward.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Danielle Blackwell". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Danielle Blackwell