

I oppose SB 223. I am pulling my children from public school and enrolling in a private school next year as I have been very disappointed with ODE.

Private schools that don't comply would be banned from participating in voluntary organizations that provide interscholastic activities to public schools if they choose not to register. This includes organizations like the National Honor Society and the Oregon School Activities Association (OSAA) which offers sports, music, and speech and debate. Children deserve an equal opportunity, regardless of what school they attend.

I chose private school that has the freedom to choose the teachers and curriculum that best represent their values and serve their students. It is concerning to think how the state could control and implement its own agenda through the registration of private schools.

Please stop this bill from further legislation. Thank you.