To Whom it May Concern:

The availability of virtual public charter schools in Oregon is of great importance to me and my family. I have two children who have been attending Metro East Web Academy over the past year. Due to the pandemic, I have not felt comfortable sending them to school in person.

The future is unclear. The coronavirus continues to spread throughout the world, although things have improved in the United States. As long as there is the possibility of variants spreading, it is really important that we have the option to keep our children safe and healthy. While the coronavirus does not appear to affect children as severely as adults in most cases, one cannot predict whether or not this might change.

Metro East Web Academy is a terrific alternative for children who might not fit into the traditional schooling model. We would hate for this educational opportunity to be taken away from Oregonians who might benefit from it.

Thank you for reading my testimony.