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On Behalf Of: John Adams Academy

Committee: Senate Committee On Education

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I support the proposal for the John Adams Academy Charter School in the Pinehurst School district as another option for our children, I am writing you to inform you that I wholeheartedly agree with the plan they are presenting. Having a child who is of middle school age and is no longer able to attend Pinehurst, having another option such as this available is highly beneficial to my child.

My daughter has had negative experiences at Pinehurst School as well as other options we've pursued. After leaving Pinehurst, her testing scores were extremely low, and I've had numerous interventions with her current teachers and school board where she attends now to get her back on track. Although she is improving academically after leaving Pinehurst, the social issues and the one-sided, forced political teaching in many of the schools in the Ashland School District are disconcerting and do not agree with the morals that I am trying to raise my daughter to believe. The current staff at Pinehurst school have behaved irrationally in the conduct of the children and parents. I like the idea that John Adams Academy is focused on creating leaders with good moral conduct, and to help them develop a heart to serve, grow and support, rather than fit in the mold of what society currently believes. This is something that I feel is missing in many of our schools these days, so I am excited for this opportunity and I urge you to please consider their proposal for the benefit of our children.

Thank you for your time and consideration of how I feel regarding this proposal. As a concerned parent trying to raise my daughter in difficult times such as this, it is vital to have more options available to us that are different to the normal status quo way of teaching here in our area.