

Date:	February 15, 2023
То:	Oregon House Education Committee
From:	Parasa Chanramy, Coalition of Oregon School Administrators
Subject:	Letter of Support for <u>House Bill 3144</u>

Dear Chair Neron, Vice Chairs Hudson and Wright, and Members of the House Education Committee:

My name is Parasa Chanramy and on behalf of the Coalition of Oregon School Administrators and our 2,800 administrators across Oregon, we urge you to pass House Bill 3144, which would create a student success plan for Oregon's Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander students.

HB 3144 would provide Oregon's Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander students and communities the opportunity to co-develop – with the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) and other education partners – the state's first Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Student Success Plan. This collaborative partnership will be critical in helping develop a student success plan that is culturally-responsive and supportive of our Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Student students across our state.

<u>ODE's latest report card</u> and <u>graduation cohort data</u> show us that the state must continue to partner with students, communities, and education partners to improve educational outcomes for all students, especially for our American Indian and Alaska Native, Black and African American, Latino/a/x, and Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander students.

We believe that a Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Student Success plan would be an important – and much needed – step.

This plan will be valuable in helping identify the systemic challenges and barriers our Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander students face, and most importantly, elevating promising practices and implementing a better system of support for our Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander students throughout Oregon.

We urge you to vote yes on HB 3144.