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## **KIDS ZONE PROGRAMS:**

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Little Kids Zone Preschool
USDA Food
Music & Visual Arts
STEM Activities
CATCH Health & Sports
Teen Enrichment
Rowing Club & Surf Camp

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Oregon State Legislature

Re: HB 4082 (Summer Learning Grants)

To the House Education Committee,

Neighbors For Kids (NFK) is a youth-serving non-profit organization and state licensed child care center located in the town of Depoe Bay, in rural Lincoln County. On behalf of the board of directors, staff and families we serve we respectfully submit this letter of testimony in full support of HB 4082.

Having safe, enriching learning environments and healthy meals for the community's children during the summer months continues to be critically important. In our coastal region, the summertime is the busiest season for working parents and the economy is peaking, making summer programs and child care even more important.

Every child deserves a quality summer experience with caring adults and educational enrichment to help prepare them for the upcoming Fall school year. With funding support organization's across the state of Oregon will have the capacity to provide this.

We strongly urge Oregon's legislature to approve HB 4082 and allocate funding in 2024 as a thoughtful and meaningful investment in Oregon's future.

Best Regards,

Toby J. Winn Executive Director of Development

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