

Submitter: Laura Hanks  
On Behalf Of:  
Committee: House Committee On Education  
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3435  
TO: House Committee on Education

FROM: Laura Hanks, PA  
SUBJECT: Yes on HB 3435

Chair Neron, Vice-Chair McIntire, Vice-Chair Dobson, and Members of the Committee,

My name is Laura Hanks. I am a retired Physician Assistant. I am in strong support of House Bill 3435, School Meals for all, which would ensure that every Oregon kid has the food they need at school, regardless of where they live in the state or how much money their parents make. This is important for me personally because I was on the school lunch program as a child and suffered from the stigma of being poor. It is very traumatizing for children to be singled out for free school lunches. This proposal would alleviate that. It is also worthwhile because many families decline such assistance out of pride, thus suffering additional food insecurity. Therefore, I strongly urge you to pass the School Meals for All program. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Laura Hanks