

I am an Oregon mother of a teen,

My son has thrived having the option to attend this on-line/in person hybrid charter school. My child went from nearly failing to graduating early. The monies that are for education are for the children to get an education. My son is receiving the education that will guide him to become a successful part of Oregon. And that is what we want.

Currently, our public, over crowded schools with over worked teachers are not able to provide what my son needed. Why should his parent not be allowed to send him where he can succeed? I pay my taxes and vote my votes. I vote to include the charter and on-line schools into this funding bill.

"We" always fly our slogans about Oregon being so "equal". Make sure you, our selected leaders are doing your part for the kids. Don't be swayed by any selective groups bargaining to keep you in office. Instead, vote for the next generation. An educated person makes an educated decision. Lower crime. More productive jobs. These things start with learning to learn and for my child that happened at the on-line/in person school. That's where I want my money and my vote to go.

"Virtual charter students deserve fair access to the same resources as every other public school student. The Student Success Act was meant to support students who need it most, yet virtual charter students are excluded. HB 2583 can make that right.

Regards,

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