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As a parent and teacher it is so important to fully fund education. These children are our future to the world. In order for students to get their needs met schools need to be fully funded. Schools need to be able to hire enough teachers so that class sizes are smaller. When class sizes are small then students get their needs met both academically and emotionally. Students now come in with some many more needs. There are so many students who come in with trauma and we all know that children with trauma can't learn like other students without trauma. They need extra support. When classroom teachers don't have support in the classroom for these students all their focus goes to them and then other students' needs are not met, both academically and emotionally. Special education needs to be fully funded so that all students have a chance to be successful and contribute positively to our world. Teachers need to be paid well so that we get highly qualified people in the profession and they want to continue teaching. Experienced teachers can better meet the needs of students and support new teachers in the profession. PLEASE fully fund education and make Oregon a great place for students to get their education in.