

February 3, 2026

To: Members of the Senate Education Committee

Re: Letter in Support of Senate Bill 1596

I have several grandchildren who attend various elementary schools in Southern Oregon, mostly public schools using today's traditional public-school education model. Three of my grandchildren, however, attend a public charter school which uses the Waldorf Curriculum, encouraging more hands-on and interactive learning.

I have witnessed these three children being more engaged than the others, and excited to "go to school" because they enjoy the varied activities incorporated into their school day. Kids being kids, I believe play-based learning is the most successful style of education for them. Therefore, I encourage our legislators to support this bill.

Sincerely,

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