

Good Afternoon,

As an educator of 11 years in Beaverton School District public schools, it is imperative that I take a moment to express my sincere hope for the push to fund education in Oregon adequately! This week we faced the first round of many regarding devastating budget news for our District. It is in my deep belief that by supporting the proposal from the Joint Committee for Student Success (House Bill 3427) and create a \$2 billion dollar investment for our kids is a game changer. For the past 11 years of my career I have watched my students suffer the impact of the lack of funding from this state. Even the best Superheros rely on their support team, superhero tools, and training. All of these things minimized, lost and impacted due to the lack of funding for Oregon schools. I have watched class size sky rocket, making it impossible to meet the needs of all students in the classroom daily. The resources for our ever growing population of students in need, affected by trauma, poverty and mental health issues dwindle to pathetic. There is NO better job than education our children. I am deeply grateful as a parent for those that do this work for my three children each day, but they need help. I need help. And by supporting House Bill 3427 you will be showing the characteristics of leadership I elected you to do, and giving our kids a chance to be their best because their teachers, administrators and para professionals fighting for them each day will be supported to be their best!

Thank you,

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