## 2019 SB 352 Tucker Maxon School

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Tucker Maxon School was founded by five families in 1947. I am partial to this school because my parents and sister and I were one of the 5 founders. My sister was born deaf because my mother had the measles when she was pregnant. She was lucky in that there could have been many more disabilities my sister might have developed.

This is a nonprofit and extremely effective school when it comes to educating deaf students. The deaf from Tucker Maxon are extremely successful. 77% of these students graduate from college, go on to successful careers and become tax-paying citizens contributing to their communities. My sister worked for Bonneville Power and then for the Secretary of State in Washington, DC.

Remember Tucker Maxon outcomes are great compared to the deaf who graduate from public schools. It is a superior education. Yes, this is a private school. But we need to support this school whose focus is on the disability of a person, a person who is deaf. Please send it to ways and means.

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