Dear Joint Committee on Student Success:

I am honored to serve as Principal of Southridge High School in the Beaverton School District. As principal, I work with 1400 engaged, thoughtful, diverse, and complex students. These students walk in our doors and expect us to provide them with a solid education, career-related learning opportunities, Career Technical Education programs, student support services, robust elective offerings, a broad range of activities and athletics, and social emotional supports...all in a safe, secure environment. I do know that I am not telling you anything you do not know. I implore you to move forward your investment package to provide a more stable educational environment in Oregon.

I have been an educator for over 20 years and have seen the continual cycles of funding fall short. It is time we stand together to support the current students in our classrooms, those that follow, and a workforce to continue to grow the state we love.

Thank you for your time,

David

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District Goal: WE empower all students to achieve post-high school success.

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