

Hello,

I am writing you today because I support the proposal of the bill number HB 3427 and encourage you to do the same. I am currently in my 2nd year of teaching and see the impact that funding has on our schools, students, and families. We need more funding in order to support the challenges that students and families are facing in our communities. Adequate funding allows teachings to provide the best possible experiences for students by allowing smaller class sizes, more support staff, student success coaches, counselors, psychologists and preschool programs.

I personally mention preschool classrooms because the Beaverton School District is currently passionate about providing funding for more preschool classrooms around the district, stressing the importance of early learning. Adequate funding allows access to preschool classrooms and highly qualified preschool teachers, which gives our students a step up in the education system. We are preparing them for school by providing a resource that may not be available to all families, especially those who need it most. The Beaverton School District's preschool programs help create an even playing field in the game of school.

Without adequate funding, we lose not only the best educators but possibly programs that are impacting our students in the most positive ways.

Thank you for listening & please pass bill number HB 3427.

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