

Dear Joint Committee on Student Success,

I am a full time resident at Fishhawk Lake. First I want to give you a heart felt thank you for all your efforts to support our community as we prepare to insure the health of the lake and the eco system in which we live. Believe me the owners here are well aware to your interventions on our behalf to the various governmental agencies. We wouldn't be close to project start without your help.

Now I have to ask you for help in another area. I am a former high school science teacher. My daughter is the language specialist at Findlay Elementary school in Beaverton. Her job and the jobs of hundreds of other k-12 teachers through the state of Oregon are threatened if schools in the coming biannual budget are not fully funded. Teachers have been under appreciated and under paid since teaching was invented. With the cost of a Master's degree and the low pay ... why would anyone chose teaching as a profession today?

Regards,  
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