While my children do not attend private schools, I strongly support and care deeply about protecting the autonomy of Oregon private schools. They provide a vital and much needed options to hundreds of students and families across our state. Oregon families must maintain their FREEDOM to choose alternative forms of education for their children, now more than ever. Politically charged and driven ODE should NOT have the authority to oversee our private schools. Please make sure our state is always able to offer the opportunity and freedom of choice in education and keep ODE OUT of our private schools. I strongly OPPOSE SB 223.