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Hello there.

I would like to submit my opinion on whether financial education should be a requirement to graduate high school in Oregon or not. I say YES, as a HUD certified housing counselor working with an agency that serves our under-served community. I have noticed that getting a job or having a side business, (aka: side hustle), is not as beneficial to someone if they don't understand the basic information about what it takes to open a checking or savings account, what is a checking or savings account? And to make their money work for them by making some basic changes. A lot of young people are barely graduating school with NO basic understanding or finances. It's a shame that this part of the education system is missing. And by not teaching this in schools it keeps placing the Oppressive thumb to those students that attend schools that don't have the luxury of hiring financial planners as teachers like the private sector does. Thank you for your time.