



February 2, 2023

To: Oregon House and Senate Education Committees

From: Reed Scott-Schwalbach

RE: SB 854, climate education bill

Dear Committee Members,

Thank you for your efforts to provide the best educational experiences possible for Oregon students.

We at the Oregon Education Association would like to share our support for the student- and educator- drafted legislation that would require place-based, hopeful, solutions-focused, climate change education across all K-12 core subject areas.

In order to bring about the transformations necessary for a sustainable future with resilient communities, widespread education about climate change is essential. With Oregon's vast diversity of places and ecosystems, climate change education in our state could help other states and regions envision what it could look like in their contexts. Please meet the opportunity of the moment.

We urge you to support this bill. Thank you for your consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Reed', followed by a long, horizontal flourish.

Reed Scott-Schwalbach  
President, Oregon Education Association