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Hello, my name is Heidi Mattson. On behalf of my son, Koby Mattson, my son has ADHD and behavioral issues and is getting tested for autism. He is in kindergarten this year at Barnes Butte Elementary. Since September I've had to pick him up early every day. The school gave me 15 minutes to get there or they would call law enforcement. They even had a school officer talk to my son without me there. I was unable to work through this time, as I had to be on call to pick him up whenever the school called. I had to get help for bills and rent in order to survive. He was suspended twice before December. There were like 5-6 helpers in his special needs class at school, and was never allowed in his regular classroom, and still they said they could not have him in class. They kicked him out in December and only saw him an hour each day for tutoring after school. He was not with any other students. He also had some issues in preschool and there were only 2 teachers and I never had to leave work they did well with him. He finally got excepted into Sage Brush 30 miles from where I live. They do provide a ride.

Thank you,  
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