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Since our schools no longer teach critical thinking skills, civics, or even history without omitting or skewing the facts, 16-17 year-olds do not have the proper information and life experience they need to make decisions that would impact all Oregonians; or that gives them the right to vote.

I see how the unions and school districts bus students to Salem to lobby for gun control, climate change, or keeping pornographic materials in schools. I see how new social studies curricula is training them up to be justice activists, and how our youth are being told that the school knows better for them than their own parents.

There is no way this is a good idea for Oregonians. Voting is a serious civic duty and one that should be exercised responsibly by mature and informed people, not developing youth who are going to be told exactly how to vote by their schools. This is a hard NO.