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I have a 17-year-old junior that has been attending RPA for the past 3 years. I do not know what I would have done without RPA. My son experienced such negative treatment at La Pine Middle School that continuing his education there would have been untenable. Originally all I thought to do was to take him out and home school him. This caused depression because we live in a rural area, with two working parents and he was alone all the time. Finally, we found RPA through a friend who said that it had changed his daughter's life.

My son was failing, unable to communicate with teachers for help, and struggling everyday just to get through the day. After attending RPA his GPA is 3.45. He is a Junior who will be finishing all his high school credits at the end of this year. He was finally his old self as soon as he got to RPA.

The teachers at RPA are always available for him. He has not had any issues of any kind since attending RPA.

I can honestly say that I cannot imagine what we would have done without the Redmond Proficiency Academy, and the staff there.