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Sauvie Island school (SIS) is a Public Charter school that supports students from Comumbia and Multnomah counties spanning a region from St. John's, Portland, to Rainier. In order to provide the same education other public schools are able to with the extra funding they receive, SIS has a large team of dedicated parent and community volunteers who work year round fundraising to cover our funding deficit. Most of us work full time, have young children, and are involved with our community. Our fundraising efforts are vital to our school- funding art and music education as well as field trips and professional development opportunities for teachers and staff. Yet, fundraising enough to cover our yearly expenses is unsustainable and exhausting. All the families in the school are taxpayers and our tax dollars should go towards providing our children an equal education.