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On Behalf Of: Gresham Arthur Academy

Committee: House Committee On Education

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3444

To whom it may concern,

I know that if I went to a bigger school for elementary school, I would have not had the same experience as I have from going to public charter. I am thankful that I had a small school and felt loved and seen. My teachers helped me so much while dealing with my eye disease. I felt ready for middle school and was set up successfully.

As a student of an Oregon public charter school student, I am writing today in support of House Bill 3444. HB 3444 will fix a deep disparity currently happening in Oregon schools. Over the last ten years, charter enrollment has gone up, but funding relative to enrollment has decreased. Public charter school students are public school students, and it's past time to fund their education fairly.

Please vote yes on HB 3444.

Thank you, Crystal Sweeney