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My family supports HB 3444 because increasing the funds the school currently receives would greatly help the school and provide more opportunity for the children. My kids have been attending a middle school and high school charter school since 2020. The classroom size is small enough that each student is known personally and academically. When my son was struggling in math, his main teacher reached out to let me know they suspected a gap in concepts, identified where the gap was and created a custom plan to get him back on track. And this was DURING the height of the COVID pandemic, when teachers and our communities were being challenged in new ways. They have a culture of inclusivity where each student is known and feels valued. My kids actually WANT to go to school. This school lifts up their expectations, treats the students like adults by giving them control of their academic choices and in turn the students rise up into stronger students. Education doesn't just happen in the classroom, but also out in the field experiencing the world around them. This Charter School and others like it takes education and applies it to real world situations.

We need our charter schools. People learn in many ways, and we need options in education that represent these.