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My son left public school because they could not keep him safe from bullying after multiple attempts to work with the school. We had recommendations to try Summit Learning Charter from a friend and it has been a life changing experience. My son started there in the fall of his eighth grade year and stayed 100% online/remote. He finished the year with top grades and a plan to start hybrid college in the fall of his ninth grade year. We are now getting into his spring term and he's been doing full college classes through Clackamas Community College. This is giving him dual college and high school credit, life experience, and getting him ready for his career in firefighting. Online school is not something we had ever considered for our children but it has been the best decision for him and he is excelling. Programs like this are key to helping students set themselves up for future success. Please take into consideration that in person mainstream school is not the best fit for every student. The goal in education needs to be to give each student the best future possible and having these programs is key for that. We have connected with so many other families that attend this school or similar schools and the flexibility in scheduling, commitment to self-starters and so much more has been great. Summit Learning Charter is the best choice for many families, and for my student, it's really the only option because he never excelled in school like he is now, nor could the school keep him safe.