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As a virtual charter student, I have had so many more opportunities than I would have in the public schools in my region. The flexibility and tailored educational experience offered by virtual charter schools have allowed me to focus on areas where I need more support and dive deeper into subjects that interest me. The opportunity to learn in an environment that fits my needs has helped me excel in ways that traditional public schools couldn't provide.

I fully support the idea that virtual public charter schools that don't work with for-profit entities should be eligible for grants from the Student Investment Account. These schools are often run with the primary focus on student success rather than profit, which ensures that the resources provided are used to directly benefit students. By allowing these schools to access grants, we are supporting a system that provides diverse and personalized educational opportunities to students like me, ensuring that no one is left behind due to rigid school structures or geographic limitations.

With more funding, these schools could enhance their offerings, hire additional specialized staff, and provide even more resources to students. It's vital to support these schools, as they offer alternatives to traditional public education, helping students thrive in ways that are more suited to their individual needs. This investment will ultimately benefit not just virtual charter school students but the broader educational landscape as a whole.