

## Written Testimony

To: Chair Hudson, Vice Chairs Dobson and McIntire, and members of the House Committee on Education

From: Brayden Higley, Student, University of Oregon

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RE: Support for HB 4079

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Dear, Chair Hudson, Vice Chairs Dobson and McIntire, and members of the House Committee on Education

For the record my name is Brayden Higley, I am an undergraduate student at the University of Oregon, and I am writing to express my support for House Bill 4079.

Being a student at the University of Oregon and a resident of Eugene, I see firsthand the fear that Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) has instilled in our students. While they have not been on our campus yet, we know that this federal administration will stop at nothing to attack vulnerable communities.

This is exactly why we need HB 4079, which would require public k-12 schools and colleges and universities to adopt standardized policies for how staff must respond if federal immigration officers, like ICE, come onto campus. It also requires timely notice to students, families, and school communities when ICE is on campus or when student information is being shared. So far at the University of Oregon, a notification system for immigration activity has not been installed and is likely not going to be unless this bill passes.

If our school systems and universities will not ensure the safety and security of our students we need public leaders who will make sure these systems get put in place to protect Oregonians. That is exactly why I am expressing and asking for your support for HB 4079.

Sincerely,  
Brayden Higley