Letters for open enrollment,

We need to focus on the advantage for the student, not the school.

Stories on Student success through the open enrollment process is important.

Families that will end up with students in two school districts if it is not re-authorized.

What is the other option for students if open enrollment is not re-authorized virtual schools?? And explain why this is not the best fit for your child or family.

Parents should not reference what school district they have enrolled in unless a follow up is requested and asked. It is about how the opportunity of open enrollment has contributed to you child's academic and social success.

We also need to make sure they are aware that this reauthorization needs to occur before March 1<sup>st</sup>. Normal open enrollment enrollment period begins March 1<sup>st</sup>. If it is not re-authorized before then families will need to be looking at different options.

We can get administration and school board members to write a few letters on how it is benefiting our school district with being able to provide more academic opportunities for our student population

There are three legislative committees that we need to address these letters to, in the subject line please state concerned parent on open enrollment:

House side: Education Committee

Chair:

Representative Margaret Doherty

**Party:** Democrat

District: 35

**Capitol Phone:** 503-986-1435

Capitol Address: 900 Court St NE, H-282, Salem, OR 97301

**Email:** Rep.MargaretDoherty@oregonlegislature.gov

Vice Chairs:

Representative Cheri Helt Republican - District 54 - Bend **Capitol Phone:** 503-986-1454

Capitol Address: 900 Court St. NE, H-371, Salem, Oregon 97301

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Representative Teresa Alonso León Democrat - District 22 - Woodburn

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Joint Legislative Committee: Student Success Committee

Co-Chairs:

Representative Barbara Smith Warner

Democrat - District 45 - Portland Capitol Phone: 503-986-1445

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Representative Greg Smith

GOP - District 57 (Umatilla, Morrow, Gilliam, Sherman & Wasco Counties)

Capitol Phone: 503-986-1457 District Phone: 541-676-5154 Capitol Address: 900 Court St. NE, H-482, Salem, Oregon 97301

District Address: P.O. Box 219 Heppner, Oregon 97836

Email: rep.gregsmith@oregonlegislature.gov

Senate side: Education Committee

Chair:

Senator Rob Wagner

Democrat - District 19 - Tualatin Capitol Phone: 503-986-1719

Capitol Address: 900 Court St. NE, S-213, Salem, Oregon 97301

**Email:** Sen.RobWagner@oregonlegislature.gov

Vice Chair:

Senator Chuck Thomsen

Republican - District 26 - Hood River

**Capitol Phone:** 503-986-1726

Capitol Address: 900 Court St. NE, S-316, Salem, Oregon 97301

Email: Sen.ChuckThomsen@oregonlegislature.gov

We also need to send all letters in separate emails from the committee's email to Representative Findley and Senator Bentz. In the subject line please state Harney County Resident concerned about open enrollment.

## Senator Cliff Bentz

Party: Republican

District: 30

**Capitol Phone:** 503-986-1730

Capitol Address: 900 Court St NE, S-301, Salem, OR, 97301

Email: Sen.CliffBentz@oregonlegislature.gov

## Representative Lynn Findley

Party: Republican

District: 60

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Website: <a href="http://www.oregonlegislature.gov/findley">http://www.oregonlegislature.gov/findley</a>

If you could please share letters with Matt Hawley for use in future lobbying for open enrollment that would be great.