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Dear Parents and Families,

I wanted to address some of the concerns centered around Open Enrollment. It is true that Open Enrollment has sunset and as of today, Open Enrollment is not an option for *new* students to attend Crane Schools next year. During the Legislative session this winter, there will be some discussion concerning Open Enrollment and we are not sure what the status of Open Enrollment may look like by the first of March. However, I want everyone to understand that if your student is currently enrolled under the Open Enrollment process, **they will be allowed to attend Crane** as long as that is your educational choice. Students that are currently attending are considered Crane students and will continue to be considered Crane students. ORS 339.133 contains language stating that the sunset does not affect the status of a person who transferred through open enrollment prior to the 2019-20 school year. Nothing from this current year will change. We will continue to provide bus transportation and students will receive the same quality education we provide.

I am a true believer that educational choice should be the right of families and will do what I can to communicate this to our Representatives and Legislators. Communication from you as parents and constituents to our Representatives could have a strong influence on the Open Enrollment option. Please contact them directly. As soon as we have an idea of what Legislative action may take place concerning Open Enrollment, I will communicate that information.

If families are interested in attending Crane schools, that are currently not attending, they may go to their resident district late spring or over the summer and request an Inter-District transfer form. This request may or may not be approved by the resident district but it is an option. If you have questions or concerns around Open Enrollment, please feel free to contact me at school. I can be reached at 541-493-2641.

Respectfully,

Matthew Hawley