

**RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT INCREASING OREGON PUBLIC SCHOOL
FUNDING TO ENSURE STUDENT SUCCESS**

RESOLUTION NO. 012219-1

WHEREAS Oregon has one of the largest average class sizes in the nation; and

WHEREAS Oregon has one of the lowest graduation rates in the nation; and

WHEREAS Oregon has one of the shortest school years in the nation; and

WHEREAS students in our public schools face challenging learning conditions due to lack of resources; and

WHEREAS our educators, school board and community are doing the best they can for our students, given a lack of resources; and

WHEREAS funding for programs and staff has been reduced, leading to cuts in career and technical education, art, music, physical education, librarians, counselors, nurses, school psychologists and special education teachers, as well as providing fewer resources and training for educators and higher fees and reduced access to extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, without change, our students will struggle to succeed; and

WHEREAS our students and communities cannot wait; and

WHEREAS Oregon students deserve better,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hillsboro School District Board of Directors will support and encourage efforts to amply fund Oregon public schools by increasing state revenue.

ADOPTED this 22nd day of January, 2019.



Lisa Allen
Chair, Board of Directors

Attested by:



Mike Scott
Superintendent

QEM-LEVEL FUNDING RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION NO. 012219-2

RESOLUTION OF THE HILLSBORO SCHOOL DISTRICT 1J BOARD OF DIRECTORS, IN SUPPORT OF FUNDING EDUCATION AT THE LEVEL RECOMMENDED BY THE QUALITY EDUCATION MODEL

WHEREAS, since the passage of Measure 5 in 1990, this State has consistently underfunded its schools and failed to adopt a means of sustainably paying for public services; and

WHEREAS we believe funding a strong system of public education is the best investment Oregonians can make to strengthen our economy, create thriving communities, and improve the quality of life for every Oregonian; and

WHEREAS we support a well-rounded curriculum that meets the needs of Oregon's students, including art, music, PE, career and technical training, and co-curricular activities; and

WHEREAS we must ensure that efforts to close the academic achievement gap and supports for students who have been historically underserved are expanded; and

WHEREAS Oregon's public schools have experienced a prolonged period of unstable and inadequate funding that has resulted in dire consequences, including teacher and staff layoffs, program cuts, unacceptably large class sizes, and one of the shortest school years in the country; and

WHEREAS the Quality Education Model has consistently defined what a high-quality educational system should look like for Oregon students, but the Legislature has never provided the funding to meet it; and

WHEREAS the Legislature has made progress and reinvestments in K-12, but funding momentum is fragile, due to unstable funding resources and cost containment issues; and

WHEREAS Oregon's political leaders have embarked on an ambitious effort through the Joint Committee on Student Success to define what our schools can be and find the means of sustainably paying for them; and

WHEREAS school board members need to help shoulder the responsibility for making the case to Oregon's voters that the Legislature needs to prioritize investing to the level of the QEM to assure educational opportunities for every student in every district in our State.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the HILLSBORO SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS pledges to join and support the efforts of the "Oregonians for Student Success" campaign to ensure that Oregon's lawmakers prioritize investments to improve the educational outcomes for Oregon's greatest natural resource: our children.

ADOPTED this 22nd day of January, 2019.



Lisa Allen
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