

# Summary of **School Choice**



The Oregon School Choice Amendment ***gives parents the constitutionally protected right to choose the best form of schooling*** for their child.

The Oregon Constitution does not require education tax dollars only be spent in public schools.

For students not attending public school, parents will have the right to direct a portion of Oregon's education dollars to pay for non-public educational options.

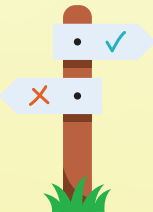
This ***will remove artificial barriers and give families access to every education option.***



Parents whose children do not attend public school may choose to participate in School Choice and **have a School Choice Account** created for them.



A portion of Oregon's education funds will be transferred to the School Choice Account as **tax free funds** and administered by a nonprofit organization chosen by the parent (*parent cannot access the funds*).



**Parents may direct the money in the School Choice Account** to be spent on School Choice Services for the education of their child, including private school tuition, homeschool curricula, nonpublic online programs, vocational training, educational services & therapies, computers, dual-credit classes, summer or specialized, after-school education programs, exam fees, transportation, tutors, etc.

**\$7,600** ↑

The annual amount of funds transferred to a School Choice Account will be **\$7,600** or more, depending on the state's total education budget.



Unspent School Choice Account funds will roll over each year until the child completes high school, and **the amount remaining upon graduation may be spent on college/university or vocational training** within the state of Oregon.



Once deposited into the School Choice Account, the Oregon education funds will **no longer be public funds**.



Participating homeschool and private school students will be in a **separate exception** from compulsory education at a public school.



To protect homeschool and private school students from government control, the State may not require a parent or educator using School Choice Account funds to change their **creed, teaching credentials/qualifications, curricula, education practices or admission policy**.