Received via email May 8, 2012

Sarah and Seth, Will you please forward this email (the following) to Governor Kitzhaber, Nancy Golden, OEIB Members and Advisors. Thank you, Jacqueline Duyck

Dear Members of the OEIB,

I believe that Oregon is taking steps toward courageous conversations regarding the achievement gap and providing quality education for all students but I have strong concerns about the priorities and decisions being made before the conversations "go deeper". Please come visit my classroom for an on the ground real world look at what is taking place in the classrooms today.

I am a fourth year teacher and will be the now generation of educators that are being asked to implement the “new education” plan in the public schools for Oregon students and their families. As a classroom teacher, I know how hard things are right now for everyone, but I need to share with you that what my classroom looks like right now is not acceptable.

My classroom of 35 students, 1st and 2nd Graders, is intensely diverse. Please come meet the students, observe who is in and out of the room, the services that some receive and help me reflect on the following:

- how is this classroom similar or different to others across Oregon

- how the Centennial School District's achievement compact will impact my students

- what is contributing to the achievement gap in my classroom/school/district

- how many students are not provided opportunities to meet or exceed academic expectations

Some possible dates for visiting may include:

May 10th

May 14th, 15th, 17th

May 21st, 22nd, 24th and 25th

Students enter class at 7:35, lunch/recess 11:20- 11:55 and students are walked out for dismissal at 1:55.

A colleague of mine is also opening her door to OEIB Members to observe an intermediate class. Their lunch/recess is 10:55- 11:35.

Thank you for your time and consideration to visit Room 38 at Oliver Elementary. Please email or call 503.997.0209 with any questions.

Jacqueline Duyck

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