

Members of the Committee and Chair,

I am writing to express my strong support for HB1472 which seeks to provide support and recognition for the establishment and operation of microschools in our state.

Microschools represent an innovative and flexible approach to education that can better meet the diverse needs of students and families. Unlike traditional schools, microschools operate with a smaller student-to-teacher ratio, allowing for personalized and individualized instruction. This environment fosters a more intimate and engaged learning experience, which can lead to improved academic outcomes and student well-being.

In particular, microschools offer several key benefits:

1. **Personalized Learning**: Microschools allow educators to tailor instruction to the unique strengths, interests, and learning styles of each student. This personalized approach helps ensure that every child can thrive and reach their full potential.
2. **Flexibility**: Microschools can adapt more easily to the changing needs of students and families. This flexibility is especially valuable in times of crisis, such as the COVID-19 pandemic, when traditional schools may face significant disruptions.
3. **Community Engagement**: By operating on a smaller scale, microschools can foster stronger connections between students, teachers, and families. This sense of community can enhance student motivation, engagement, and overall satisfaction with their educational experience.

4. ****Innovation****: Microschools provide an opportunity to experiment with new and innovative educational practices. This can lead to the development of more effective teaching methods and curricular models that can be scaled and implemented in larger educational settings.

HB1472 is a crucial step toward recognizing and supporting the valuable role that microschools can play in our state's education system. By passing this bill, we can ensure that more families have access to high-quality, personalized education options that meet their unique needs.

I urge you to support HB1472 and help pave the way for a more flexible, innovative, and effective educational system in our state. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Levi Taylor