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RE: Written support for SB 128

Dear Senators,

Thank you for your time serving the state of Kansas! It is an honor to live in this great state. We are thankful to hear that Kansans may be offered a tax credit for private school tuition payments. Having the freedom to choose the educational setting that allows the greatest academic benefit for our children is a privilege we are grateful for; however, it comes at an enormous cost. What a gift it would be for some of this cost to be offset!

I would like to urge you to vote in support of SB 128 that would allow more parents the opportunity to choose an educational setting that supports their child(ren) and individual concerns/needs that they may have whether it be advanced placement classes, special education services, or a long list of many other benefits of private education. Because each child is unique it is impossible to optimally serve each child in a one-size-fits-all public education setting. While there are many options available in the public-school setting, there are many benefits of a smaller, private school education that promotes a stronger learning environment for some children.

Allowing parents to choose what's best for each of their children by removing some of the financial barriers would be a great gift for the future of today's students. A vote in favor of SB 128 is an investment that will produce great dividends in strengthening the next generation of leaders. Thank you so much for considering and supporting this bill and quality education in Kansas!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jennifer Harder', written in a cursive style.

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