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Congressman Blumenauer's Office

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Dear Congressman Blumenauer,

We in the Oregon Library Community have been waiting to hear the details of the Every Student Succeeds Act Conference Report. We are encouraged and excited that language supporting effective school library programs has been retained. As you know the vote is scheduled for later this week. We would like to take this opportunity to encourage you to vote YES!

School libraries are critical to our children's future and the Conference Report includes critical language to support effective school library programs.

This language is truly historic. For the first time in half a century Congress has underscored the importance of effective school library programs by expressly including them in multiple parts of this watershed reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.

Warm regards,

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