

The Schools Portland Students Deserve

-- A Community Forum --

Speakers:

Portland Association of Teachers
Portland Student Union
Parent in Portland Public Schools

January 28th, 7:00pm

Markham Elementary

10531 SW Capitol Hwy,
Portland, OR 97219



Come hear about, question and discuss the teachers' bargaining proposal preamble.

The teachers' bargaining proposal preamble,

"The Schools Portland Students Deserve"

calls for

- Reduced class sizes and caseloads
- More electives, music, art, physical education, libraries, and world languages
- Wrap-around support services, including counselors, nurses, social workers, psychologists, second-language and special education teachers
- Equity in allocation of resources to high poverty schools
- Maintenance of enrollment rather than school closures
- Use of standardized testing as only one tool for assessment of students
- Academic freedom and collaboration for professional educators

Portland Public Schools (PPS) refuses to bargain over these issues in a meaningful way. PPS should continue negotiations without declaring impasse. PPS should settle a contract which provides for adequate compensation and benefits, fair workload and preparation time, because teachers' working conditions are students' learning conditions.

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