

Denise Musil, Community member and parent Proponent in Person HB2631

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Subject: Proponent & Supporter for HB2631 with the Short Title "Career technical education credential and transition incentive for employment success act; providing state aid to school districts for students obtaining a credential; establishing the career technical education credential and transition incentive fund." http://www.kslegislature.org/li/b2021_22/measures/hb2631/

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Short Statement: My name is Denise Musil and am the Director of Deerfield Recreation and mother to Audrey Musil, a junior at Deerfield High School. Audrey has always been a student that works very hard at school and extra-curricular activities. This year Audrey will be receiving a certification for her studies towards Early Childhood and we couldn't be more pleased. She hopes to be able to use this certification next year as a senior to help save money for college. Then when she attends college after her high school graduation she can use it for employment to help offset the price of college so she can leave with less debt.

I firmly believe that not every child is like my daughter. It is an amazing opportunity for students who will not be attending traditional post-secondary schools, or entering the workforce to graduate from Deerfield High school with a certification that can help them get a higher paid job or edge out the competition because they have more knowledge and training in their craft.

I know Deerfield being a small school it is hard to be able to pay for certifications that students get and Mrs Wieberg is working with each student to make sure they get a meaningful certification that they will actually use. I would hate for this initiative to have to stop because funding for these certifications can be so strapping to schools of any size. I work with all the kids and Deerfield being the director of the recreation center and I truly believe that being able to have these meaningful certifications as they leave high school will be a defining moment in how they live their life after high school.

Thanks!