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Re: Senate Bill 362 – Primary and Secondary Education - Virtual Schools- OPPOSE

To Whom It May Concern:

My son attends the ESMEC BVP in Wicomico County - 9th grade. We are so grateful for this program. This program has been such a gift to us and we do not want to see it go! My son enjoys the program and works really hard in his virtual learning. This program has benefited my son in so many ways. He stated that his able to stay focus on his learning than ever before compared to being in a traditional public school setting , he doesn't have the influence or peer pressure from other students that could make him easily distracted or even the worry of being bully. He is in a healthy and safe environment. He has shown me how independently and efficiently his able to complete assignments daily, attend classes and make time to study and it shows in his grades. These qualilties his learning not only is benefiting him now but will definitely assist him in his future in making a success in life after high school. The program offers so much help in not letting my child fall behind whether it be scheduling a one on one session with his teacher or requesting time with an online tutor. He also meets with his student success coordinator who check-ins weekly on my child's academic performance to discuss with him any issues or questions he may have. Also, if my son's teachers or his success coordinator notices any issues or changes with his academic performance they quickly make me aware so that I'm able to resolve the issue. Such a great program. Please consider keeping this program permanent giving students an opportunity to learn and progress independently virtually with the ESMEC BVP.

Please consider my request.

Sincerely,

Ariane Taylor