

Maryland Legislators,

I am writing in support of Bill469. I am a parent of a child with special needs.

We all know how important in person education is to special education students. We saw how much they struggled during the schools shut down for Covid. Their precious time in the classroom and community helps prepare that student to be a contributing member to society. Every day is important.

Currently, the law says a students last year of school is dependent on when their birthday falls and the start of a school year at a particular school. It is unfair for one student to get 15 years of education and another to get 16 based on their birthday month and when their school starts.

This is a disservice to these students. Each student should receive 16 years of education.

Please vote in support of Bill469.

Sincerely,

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