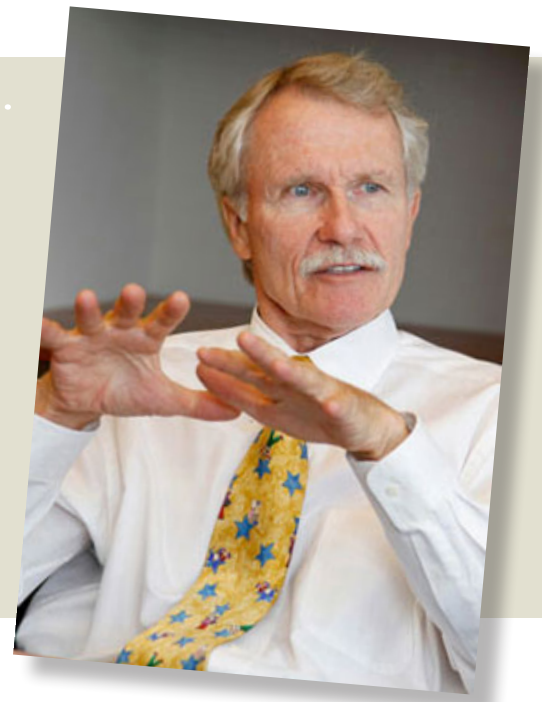


# WHY OEA-PIE RECOMMENDED CANDIDATE **John Kitzhaber** IS OUR CHOICE FOR OREGON GOVERNOR



**AS THE PRODUCT OF OREGON'S PUBLIC SCHOOLS** and the son of educators, John Kitzhaber understands firsthand the difference a core educator makes, nurturing each child's creative and intellectual spark.

John Kitzhaber shares our values and believes in our educators. That's why John is committed to giving educators the tools they need to succeed.

John Kitzhaber has advocated for and will continue to work hard for stable and adequate funding for our schools. For example, he helped create the state's very first rainy day fund for education. He championed the Accountability and Equity Act, which says that the state must fund schools adequately.

John Kitzhaber stood with us as we took on Bill Sizemore. We both took him on because we vehemently disagreed with the direction Sizemore wanted to take the state - and we both won.

John Kitzhaber puts the needs of Oregon's hardworking middle class families first, and is the clear choice to help put Oregon back to work. During his time as Governor, 128 thousand new jobs were created. And John Kitzhaber is the only candidate with a detailed and realistic plan to create jobs now and in the future.

*John Kitzhaber has a proven track record of investing in our classrooms and has worked hard to bring stable and adequate funding to our schools.*

## What John Stands For

**John Kitzhaber supports local collective bargaining agreements and will honor the pay and salary that educators negotiated in their contracts.** John believes state and local districts must be accountable to each other to provide an excellent environment for students to learn and educators to teach. That includes the state providing stable and adequate funding, and making some assumptions about how local school districts will use state funds. For this to be successful, John believes state officials need bottom-up input starting with OEA members about what is necessary for student success.

**John Kitzhaber shares our frustration and believes that No Child Left Behind created an onerous framework of standardized testing,** diverting educators' time away from class preparation, teaching innovation, and addressing the needs of individual students.

**John Kitzhaber says it is clear that teacher performance cannot be captured by a student's score on a standardized test.** John opposes efforts to pay educators based solely on student test scores.