



## House Committee on Education

### Opponent Testimony (Written Only) HB 2468

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Submitted by: **Dr. Gillian Chapman, Superintendent, Blue Valley School District**

Chairwoman Estes and Committee Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit these written comments in opposition to **HB 2468**, Electing to participate in the federal tax credit for individual contributions to scholarship granting organizations and increasing the aggregate tax credit limit on the tax credit for low-income student scholarship program.

This legislation seeks to potentially more than double the aggregate tax limit from the current \$10 million to \$20 million, and potentially \$30 million. This has the potential to greatly affect state revenue.

Blue Valley has a student population of more than 22,700 and consistently ranks in the top tier of high performing schools, both in the state and in the nation. (See "Quick Facts" at end of testimony.)

The primary goal of the Blue Valley district is to **ensure every student attending our schools has the educational programming and opportunities, delivered by quality educators, to allow them to thrive long after they leave our doors.** We embrace every student who walks through our doors and always work to provide them with the tools to succeed.

The Blue Valley Board of Education has a long-standing priority position that states:

*[Blue Valley] opposes public funding of private schools, including offering public tax credits that decrease state revenue, that do not comply with the same standards and requirements of public-school districts.*

As stated in our position, our Board believes that private schools receiving public dollars, even by a decrease in state revenue, must be held to the same standards, requirements, and governance as that required of public schools.

For these reasons, we must **strongly oppose** HB 2468.