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"As a concerned parent, I want to share my experience regarding the impact of vaccine mandates on my child's access to education and extracurricular activities. It feels incredibly unfair that he has aged out of recreational sports and is now barred from participating in school sports in this state simply due to his vaccine status. This situation goes against our liberties as American taxpayers. We contribute a large portion of our taxes to the school system, yet our children are being denied access to the very programs we fund unless we comply with vaccination requirements. It feels like coercion, and it's heartbreaking to see my child and many others face this segregation and isolation from their peers.

Every child deserves the right to participate in school activities, regardless of their vaccination status. We should be fostering an inclusive environment where all children can thrive and enjoy the benefits of education and sports. I urge our community and lawmakers to reconsider these policies and ensure that every child has access to the opportunities we all pay for. Thank you to those that sponsored these bills, and as unlikely as it feels today, for there to be progressive change, we will continue to advocate for it. Thank You.