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To: Representative Bob Nonini, House Education Chairman  
Senator John Goedde, Senate Education Chairman

From: Wayne Davis, Executive Director

Reason: Letter Defining the Importance of IDLA in Educating Idaho's Students

The Idaho Digital Learning Academy provides an essential role in providing Idaho's students a chance to extend their learning efforts beyond the traditional setting. Frequently students and school districts face limitations in providing traditional courses with existing staff and resources. Through IDLA offerings, students are able to expand their educational experiences.

The state funding structure allows school districts to provide supplemental and sometimes essential offerings in a manner similar to other supplemental programs such as Special Education and Limited English programs. This funding, which provides offerings beyond the classroom walls provides an offset to costs involved by IDLA and the expenses of the networking and labor resources required at the local level.

As school districts continue to provide eLearning offerings to Idaho's students, the collaboration with Idaho school teachers and administrators offering the IDLA courses continue to be a valued investment in the future of the State of Idaho.

The Idaho Digital Learning Academy offers collaborative relationships with Idaho's teachers, administrators, and colleges which are the link to a strong and seamless educational system.

Continued state support for Idaho Digital Learning Academy programs, with the funding essential to allow students in Idaho School Districts a chance to participate and meet the challenges of tomorrow will continue to produce leaders.

We are proud to consider them a partner in our efforts to produce the leaders for the future.

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