

Dear Joint Interim Committee On The Third Special Session of 2020,

I was relieved to hear that there will be legislation introduced for next Monday's Special Session to provide liability protection for school districts. Our students, teachers, administrators, and parents have all tried their best to keep education moving forward, but we know nothing can replace in-person learning.

Our school district continues to work with the state to address the challenges of getting kids back in the classroom safely and liability protection is a critical component. The quicker that students can return to school the better, but we must resolve uncertainty around liability first.

This legislation is an important step as we strive to meet the needs of our students. Our district needs to know that if we are following state guidelines to protect our students, staff, and community we will be protected from lawsuits related to COVID 19 exposure.

Please support this critical legislation and don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or would like to discuss this further.

Sincerely,

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