



SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Investing in Idaho's Children and Families

WHAT ARE YOU DOING DIFFERENTLY FROM LAST YEAR THAT ENHANCES STUDENT GROWTH & ACHIEVEMENT

“Effective principals are key to strengthening teaching and schools, but there has been an insufficient investment in recruiting, preparing, and supporting great principals, particularly for high-poverty schools.”

(Leithwood et al., 2004)

- Invested \$300,000 in Idaho New School Leadership in 2017. Will invest \$560,000 in 2018. Outstanding fellows in pipeline.

“Collecting student data is an important factor in increasing student achievement despite frequent controversy over privacy and security concerns.”

Aimee Rogstad Guidera, CEO Data Quality Campaign (*Education World*, September 2015)

- Invested \$41,000 in NWEA MAP, \$100,000 in Education Northwest evaluation, and \$31,000 in student based budgeting simulator in 2017. In 2018, up to \$75,000 in NWEA MAP, up to \$200,000 in Credo study of charter performance and partnership with Charter School Growth Fund.

NAME 2 THINGS THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO DO, THAT YOU ARE CURRENTLY NOT DOING, THAT WILL ENHANCE STUDENT GROWTH AND ACHIEVEMENT

“Teachers are very important; no other measured aspect of schools is nearly as important in determining student achievement... The magnitude of the differences (between teachers) is truly large, with some teachers producing 1.5 years of gain in achievement in an academic year while others with equivalent students produce only 1/2 year of gain.”

(Eric A. Hanushek, 2010)

- Work with partners to get the best teachers possible for every school we support, and ultimately for all schools in Idaho.

“If money were not an issue, 73% of Idaho’s parents would prefer that their child attend a private or charter school, while only 26% would opt for the regular public schools.”

“What Idahoans Really Think About Education in Idaho,” J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Family Foundation, 2016

- Work with families, lawmakers and other partners in expanding school choice opportunities to include private school options and even Education Savings Accounts.

THANK YOU

