STATEMENT FROM SUPERINTENDENT YBARRA REGARDING TRANSGENDERED STUDENTS

(BOISE) – This is yet another example of an extreme top-down approach that won't change day-to-day bathroom use—schools in Idaho are already following bathroom procedures set forth by the U.S. Department of Education.

Idaho schools and communities know their students best, and know that each individual students’ needs are unique. Our schools and communities will continue to meet those needs in a manner which is respectful and supportive to all, regardless of their situation. As I have stated before, this is another example of local control.

Further, shame on this administration for using our most vulnerable students and threatening the loss of Title I money in a time when funding for education is already a tense topic, especially for our over 70% rural school districts.

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