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## **Superintendent Ybarra celebrates signing of in-person learning bill**

(BOISE) – Idaho parents who advocated for Superintendent of Public Instruction Sherri Ybarra’s in-person learning bill joined the superintendent in celebrating Thursday afternoon when Gov. Brad Little signed the legislation into law.

Superintendent Ybarra thanked the governor for his support in making sure students can be with their peers and their teachers whenever safety concerns can be met at the local level. Lawmakers in the Idaho House and Senate overwhelmingly supported in-person instruction as an essential part of an effective education, especially for students with the greatest needs, such as students with disabilities and English language learners.

“Over the past year, I heard from many parents worried about the toll remote learning was taking on their students academically, and also in social interaction and emotional wellness. I heard from teachers, too, who were anxious to get back in the classroom with their students.”

Parents Tiffany Grant and Kim Glineski, who testified in favor of the bill at legislative hearings, attended the signing ceremony.

“We all had a common goal to support our schools and students to achieve, and this bill – which is now the law in Idaho – will ensure that our students have the instruction they need to achieve and succeed,” Superintendent Ybarra said.

Idahoans can watch video of the signing ceremony at the [State Department of Education Facebook page](#) and read [the bill online](#).

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**Attachment:** Photo of Superintendent of Public Instruction Sherri Ybarra and Gov. Brad Little at Thursday’s signing ceremony.