

Dear House Education Committee,

I am writing to express my strong support for House Bill 4082 (HB4082) and to underscore the importance of incorporating robust summer learning opportunities into our education system. As a parent, I believe that investing in summer learning programs is a critical step towards ensuring the holistic development and academic success of our children.

Summer learning loss is a well-documented phenomenon, and its impact on our children's academic achievements is profound. HB4082's recognition of the significance of summer learning aligns with the urgent need to address this issue. Research consistently shows that students who lack access to educational resources during the summer experience a decline in academic skills, contributing to the achievement gap.

I commend the bill's provisions aimed at enhancing and expanding summer learning opportunities for students across our state. By investing in accessible, culturally specific educational summer programs, HB4082 demonstrates a commitment to bridging the gap in educational access during the summer months. This is particularly crucial for children from underserved communities who may face additional challenges in accessing enrichment programs.

As a member of our community, I have witnessed the positive impact of well-structured summer learning programs. These initiatives not only mitigate learning loss but also provide students with enriching experiences that contribute to their personal growth.

In conclusion, I urge you to support and pass HB4082, recognizing the significance of investing in summer learning as an integral part of our education system. By doing so, we can empower our children with the tools they need to thrive academically and personally, regardless of their socio-economic backgrounds.

Thank you for your commitment to the well-being and educational success of our children.

Sincerely,

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