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Kittitas Public Schools  
P.O. Box 599  
Kittitas, Washington 98934

*RE: Support for School Board Members and the Superintendent in Kittitas Public Schools and Schools Across Kittitas County to Make Localized Decisions Based on Reopening*

Dear Chairman Lowe, Vice-Chairman Stickney, Board member Damm, Board member Johnson, Board member Lael, and Superintendent Nollan:

The Kittitas County Board of Commissioners supports Kittitas Public Schools and school districts across Kittitas County on their decisions to reopen schools in the manner that best suits their individual staff and family needs for the 2020-2021 school year. We believe local level policy decisions are often the best decisions. School board members and Superintendents have a pulse on their school district that we believe neither the County nor the State can replicate. That is why we fully support the decision made by Kittitas Public Schools as well as the decisions made by the other school districts across Kittitas County.

We realize the decision you made as well as the decisions for the other school districts did not come easily. We applaud your ability to gather data from the community and use it as a strong determining factor in your process.

We would also like to offer our support to ensure your efforts to reopen are successful. We realize this is complicated and being the first in our County to implement this does not make the process any easier.

Thank you for your public service and dedication to the community and families of the Kittitas Public Schools.

Sincerely,

Kittitas County Board of Commissioners

Brett Wachsmith, Chairman

Laura Osiadacz, Vice-Chair

Cory Wright, Commissioner