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Senator Brian Langley, Senate Chair Representative Victoria Kornfield, House Chair Education and Cultural Affairs Committee Cross Office Building Augusta, ME

Dear Sen. Langley and Rep. Kornfield,

Recently, I was joined at the Blaine House by six extraordinary Maine students participating in the Informed Young Leaders Program. Each student gave a brief presentation on a different topic relating to reimaging education. Their presentations addressed many challenges and opportunities for educating our young people and I was impressed with the depth in which they had researched these issues. Many of the insights that these students uncovered were dead on, and presented in a clear, compelling manner by these talented young people.

Therefore, I write to encourage you to invite these young people to address the Education and Cultural Affairs Committee and to facilitate other opportunities for them to share their presentations with members of the House and the Senate. Their insights are vital to the work we are all doing to improve education in the State of Maine.

The director of the program, Nick Lapham may be contacted at 541-410-6103 or nick@informedyoungleaders.com

Regards,

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Martha Harris, Chair Maine State Board of Education Cross Office Building Augusta, ME

Dear Martha,

Thank you for your recent visit with Peter Geiger to discuss the State Board of Education's work as well as our shared priorities for public education in Maine.

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