

**COLORADO** Department of Education Commissioner of Education

201 East Colfax Avenue Denver, CO 80203-1799

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Dear Superintendents,

This afternoon the State Board of Education voted unanimously to appoint me as interim commissioner. I am both humbled and honored to serve in this capacity, and I want you to know that I will give this role - as I have given all of my previous roles at CDE -- every ounce of my energy, creativity and professionalism.

As you know, I greatly value CDE's partnership with you, and I know that success in advancing educational achievement of Colorado's students can only happen if we work together. I want to assure you that all of us at CDE remain focused and dedicated to the work and to providing you with useful resources and supports to achieve your goals.

I am committed to serving as interim commissioner through the transition to support my colleagues in CDE and all of you as we continue with our important work.

My door is always open to you. Please call or come by if you want to talk further.

Sincerely,

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Katy Anthes, Ph.D. Interim Commissioner

