

Dear Chair Richardson and Committee Members,

My name is Carrie Delaney and I live in Rochester, MN.

I am writing to you today to ask for your support for Senate File 1210 for Recovery Education for students with disabilities.

Our school district handed us the work packet for our son and told us "Good Luck." There has been absolutely no learning during this school year, and we have already filed a formal complaint.

Our son will need to gain further peer to peer contact for Social Emotional Support, Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Hands-on work that he missed through SPED

Please pass this bill so families like mine do not have to fight to get back what is needed for their children to succeed, be given the tools to excel and grow in their environment. My son has lost extremely important and valuable time. This is devastating because my son's needs are intensive and set backs like (for some) may simply be a loss of 14 weeks of school---for us, it sets us back a couple years! Unacceptable. These are legal binding documents (Individualized Education Plan), and completely dismissed and pushed back as if they don't even matter. Kids with disabilities are so forgotten, and I am losing faith that anyone cares.

Please support HF 965.

Thank you for your leadership and please pass this bill.

Carrie Delaney