March 27, 2019

Below are highlights of the March 25, 2019, State Board of Education meeting. The entire meeting can be viewed on the Board's YouTube page.

**2018-2019 A-F Accountability in High School**
The Board is continuing to work towards the adoption of the High School A-F Accountability System. The proposed system includes a new Subgroup Growth/Gap Improvement indicator that measures the following: 1) subgroup growth on the selected assessment; 2) subgroup graduation rate improvement; and 3) subgroup dropout rate improvement.

Additional information on the proposed indicator can be found [here](#). A [survey](#) is also available to provide feedback. The survey closes April 10th at 5:00 P.M. The Board may take action at a special meeting on April 15, 2019 at 10:00 A.M.

**Menu of Assessments**
The Board awarded three high school vendors the contract for the Menu of Assessments for the 2019-2020 school year. The assessments will be made public as soon as possible and will be displayed on our [website](#). No action was taken for the elementary school Menu.

At the April 29, 2019 Board Meeting, the Board will consider policies and procedures governing the Menu of Assessments and the statewide assessment. Following the April Board meeting, information on the Menu, including the notification form, assessments available for selection, and policies governing the Menu, will be distributed to the field.

**Structured English Immersion (SEI) Models**
The Board is required to adopt an SEI model for Structured English immersion that follows statutory requirements for the length of instruction. Legislation (SB 1014) signed by the Governor on Valentine’s Day reduces the four hour SEI block and provides additional flexibility to schools while still requiring SEI. On Monday, the Board adopted two models for schools’ use in the 2019-2020 school year: 1) the existing model with the four hour block; and 2) a new model with reduced time pursuant to the statutory changes. Additional changes were also made regarding student grouping. Information on the models and flexibility for schools can be found with [OELAS](#) at ADE.

For school year 2020-2021 and beyond, the Board will continue to work with ADE for refinements to the models and to provide a framework for local education agencies to submit proposed models for approval.
Discipline
Do not forget that the Board has established a tool that allows users to search discipline action taken against a certified educator in the last five years. The tool provides publicly available information and supporting documents on the action taken against the certified individual, including suspensions, revocations and denials. To use the tool please go to https://azsbe.az.gov/teacher-certification-ppac and click on the link on right labeled “Discipline Search”.

Future Meetings
The 2019 Board schedule is posted online. The next meeting is April 15, 2019 to consider action on the High School A-F Accountability System. The next regular meeting is April 29, 2019. Meeting materials may be found here. You can also follow us on Twitter @AzBoardEd and on Facebook @azstateboard.