



## Arizona State Board of Education

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**August 30, 2019**

Below are highlights of the Board's meeting on August 26, 2019.

### **School Safety Program**

The Board unanimously approved the Arizona Department of Education's (ADE) proposal to allocate an additional \$20 million grant to the School Safety Program. The proposal met the Board's requests from the June Board Meeting: be available to all schools, this school year. Schools may apply beginning September 16 for a grant to fund school resource officers, juvenile probation officers, school counselors, and/or social workers. Awards will be approved at either the October 28, 2019 or December 2, 2019 Board Meeting. The dollars will then be available for this school year and the following three school years.

Schools interested in applying, or that have questions, can visit the Department's website: <http://www.azed.gov/shs/ssp/>.

### **Arizona Online Instruction (AOI) Application Window**

School districts interested in establishing an AOI can now apply by submitted the application to the Board by October 31, 2019: <https://azsbe.az.gov/resources/arizona-online-instruction>. Charter schools should apply to the State Board for Charter Schools.

AOIs, established in A.R.S. §15-808, allows schools to establish online instructional systems. Districts that are currently approved need to reapply if they have not operated their AOI for more than three years, have changed AOI providers or are adding or changing grade levels.

### **Statewide Assessment Input**

ADE's Assessment section has scheduled a series of three webinars to inform and receive feedback from stakeholders regarding the scope of work for the new Statewide Achievement Assessment. This assessment will replace AzM2 and be administered in the Spring of 2022. See the webinar schedule attached.

In October, stakeholders will have an additional opportunity to meet with representatives of ADE's Assessment team to ask questions and provide further feedback. These face-to-face meetings are currently being scheduled in Tucson, Flagstaff, Yuma, and Phoenix. Meeting dates, times, and exact locations will be provided soon.

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More information, including how to access the webinars, is attached.

### **Infant Toddler Developmental Guidelines – Open for Public Comment**

The public comment period is now open for proposed updates to the Infant Toddler Development Guidelines. The guidelines build awareness of quality infant and toddler caregiving and education and were developed with partners in the state including First Things First.

Individuals interested in submitting public comment or learning more about the guidelines can visit ADE's website: <http://www.azed.gov/ece/itdg/>.

### **Future Meetings**

The 2019 Board schedule is posted online. The next meeting is September 23, 2019. Please note that Board meetings begin at 10:00 A.M. Meeting materials may be found [here](#). You can also follow us on Twitter @AzBoardEd and on Facebook @azstateboard.

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## RFP Scope of Work for New Statewide Achievement Assessment - Webinar Series for Stakeholders

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Please feel free to forward this information regarding the webinars to individuals within or outside of your organization. If you have any questions: please email [AzM2@azed.gov](mailto:AzM2@azed.gov) or call 602-542-5031.



## Webinar Series Schedule:

### #1: Thursday, September 5, 2019, 1:00pm – 2:00pm

Topics to be covered include:

- Test Development
- Item Development Plan
- Field Test Design
- Review of Test Items
- Stakeholder Review Committees

Webinar Password: Assess

Join by phone: 1-415-655-0003

Meeting number: 805 708 969

## Watch the 1st Webinar

### #2: Thursday, September 26, 2019, 9:00am – 10:00am

Topics to be covered include:

- Release of Operational Items
- Test Administration
- Online Management System

- Hardware / Software
- Tools and Accommodations

Webinar Password: Assess

Join by phone: 1-415-655-0003

Meeting number: 809 837 149

## Watch the 2nd Webinar

### **#3: Friday, October 4, 2019, 10:00am – 11:00am**

Topics to be covered include:

- Training Resources
- Customer Service and Support
- Sample Tests
- Test Data / Reports

Webinar Password: Assess

Join by phone: 1-415-655-0003

Meeting number: 804 688 375

## Watch the 3rd Webinar