

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Requested Reports, Updates, and Discussions
August 15, 2006

SUBJECT: Special Teachers Are Rewarded Update (STAR)

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

N/A

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The STAR program (Special Teachers Are Rewarded) was enacted through proviso language by the 2006 Legislature. \$147.5 million has been appropriated to reward teachers for performance, based primarily on student learning gains.

By the date of the Board meeting, the Department will have produced two Technical Assistance Papers, and staff members are working with districts to assist them in the development of STAR plans.

This initiative aligns with Strategic Imperative 1: Increase the Supply of Highly Effective Teachers: Objective 1.3. Reward High-Performing Teachers (1.3.a. Differentiated Pay). It also impacts Objective 1.1. Acquire Effective Teachers, Objective 1.2. Improve Teacher Retention, and Strategic Imperative 3: Improve Student Learning and Independence.

Supporting Documentation Included: (To be provided under separate cover)

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