STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Update
December 12, 2012

SUBJECT: Update on Transition to Common Core Standards and Assessments

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

N/A

AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION

N/A

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Contract Updates:

• Item development contracts with both ETS and Pearson were amended to include additional pilot testing.
• A contract for Assessment Administration for large-scale pilot and field testing is scheduled for January execution.
• McKinsey has been retained through Gates and Hewlett Foundation funding to develop the business model/establish governing entity to succeed PARCC.
• An RFP for Online Test Delivery is scheduled for a December release.

Current Tasks:

• PARCC briefings by FDOE staff continue to take place across the state and via web presentations. Audiences are comprised of a wide variety of K-12 and postsecondary education stakeholder groups.
• FDOE program staff is working with other PARCC state staff to accelerate item development. FL K-12 and postsecondary faculty are engaged in item reviews and developing policy recommendations.
• FDOE fiscal and program staff are coordinating with other PARCC state staff and the US Department of Education to strengthen program management in support of technology integration across vendors and states.
• FL involved in study to investigate tablet use in large-scale assessments.

December PARCC Governing Board Agenda – Items for Approval:

• High school mathematics assessments to be used for College and Career Ready determination.
• Release of draft accommodations policies for public comment.
• Design and development of PARCC diagnostic and K-2 tools.
• Updates to PARCC technology specifications.
• PARCC retest policy options.

Supporting Documentation Included: N/A

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