

## Race to the Top Implementation Committee: Student Growth (SG)

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### **Purpose and Scope**

The purpose of the SG Implementation Committee is to provide input, feedback and recommendations to the state in the development and implementation of teacher-level student growth models. Such models will be used to provide teachers and administrators with more useful and timely information about student learning and will be fair and accurate so as to be useful as a component in teacher and principal evaluations. The SG will not be responsible for final decisions regarding the adoption of a state model or the models districts may choose to implement. Rather, the SG will work with the Department and the contractors for development and implementation of the student growth models to provide input, review, feedback and recommendations for the following:

1. Data sets to be included in the models
2. Factors (for example, student characteristics or school characteristics) to be included in the models
3. The use of resulting data for teacher instructional purposes
4. Best practices in development and implementation of models
5. Effective methods of communicating information to teachers, students, parents, administrators
6. Uses of models in teacher and principal evaluations
7. Uses of models in evaluation of teacher and principal preparation programs

### **Membership**

The membership of the SG includes teachers, principals, parents, union representatives, superintendents, school board members, district administrators and postsecondary faculty. The membership contributes expertise in various teaching subjects and grades, educational administration at all levels, measurement and assessment. In addition, the SG represents Florida's diversity in culture, community, and region. All members will serve at the appointment of the Commissioner to the four-year term of the Race to the Top grant unless the member requests to resign, at which time a member with similar representation will be appointed by the Commissioner.

### **Meeting Timelines**

The SG will begin meeting in November of 2010 and will continue throughout the four-year Race to the Top grant period. The purpose and scope as described above will progress as the state and participating districts move forward successfully in the adoption, implementation and improvement of student growth models.

### **Communications**

Information about the activities, membership and meeting schedule of the SG will be posted at [www.fldoe.org/arra/racetothetop.asp](http://www.fldoe.org/arra/racetothetop.asp).