Lyon County School District Board Memo

Date: December 16, 2025

To: Board of School Trustees

From: Tom Hendrix, Boar President

Re: Flexible Assessment Options for High School Graduation

Recommendation:

President Hendrix requests that the board of trustees accept the following PowerPoint presentation for use in future trainings to help guide the Nevada Department of Education (NDE), the State Board of Education, state committees, and other relevant entities in exploring flexible assessment options for high school graduation requirements and reporting.

Background Information:

Dayton High School has spent the past eighteen months implementing the ACT WorkKeys program on its campus. Their leadership in this area has since supported the expansion of the program to all high schools across the district. After observing the strong work underway, President Hendrix partnered with the school to explore opportunities to elevate this initiative to the state level as a way to inform future assessment options for high school graduation and accountability.

Currently, the ACT exam serves as Nevada's statewide accountability measure and is required for all students as part of the graduation process. This PowerPoint presentation is intended to support discussion among state leaders—including the Nevada Department of Education, the State Board of Education, and other relevant committees—regarding potential flexibility in high school assessments and accountability systems.

Budget Considerations:

N/A

Discussed at Previous Meeting:

N/A

Attachment(s):

Flexible Assessment Options for High School Graduation PowerPoint