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Subject: Completion of the Naming Process for the Weber School District Online Program (previously called Weber Online)

In May 2025, the Weber School District Board of Education approved the initiation of the naming process for the district's online program—formerly known as *Weber Online*—in preparation for our application to become an officially recognized Statewide Online Education Program (SOEP) through USBE.

In accordance with Board Policy 6600 – *Naming of School Facilities and Mascots*, a formal School Naming Committee was assembled. This committee included representatives from district and school administration, a certified and classified employee, a student leader, a parent, a member of the Weber School District Board, a local community leader, the Directors of Facilities and Secondary Education, and a representative from the Weber School District Foundation. The Director of Digital Teaching & Learning chaired the committee.

As required by policy, the committee sought and gathered stakeholder input through a community survey. The rationale for seeking a new name was shared publicly and included the following key points:

- The unification of Weber Online 7–8 and Weber Online 9–12 into one streamlined 7–12 program.
- The operational alignment of Weber Online with Innovation High School, which currently houses and supports the online program with some staff members.
- The need to distinguish the secondary online program from the district's elementary online offering (*Weber Online K–6*).
- The goal of signaling that the program serves students statewide, not only within Weber County, as part of our SOEP application.

Survey responses were reviewed and discussed with the committee in a virtual meeting. The committee then evaluated suggested names and will present the committee's top recommendation, along with the rationale and summary of the process, during the June 11th, 2025 Board of Education meeting for the Board's review and final approval.

We appreciate the Board's support throughout this process and look forward to officially establishing a program name that reflects our mission, growth, and goal to expand statewide.