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**TO:** Superintendent Gina Butters, Board President Paul Widdison, WSD Board Members

**FROM:** Heather Neilson

**DATE:** July 22, 2024

**SUBJECT:** Approval of the Weber School District Early Learning Plan for 2024-2025

The Weber School District Early Learning Plan for 2024-2025 was submitted to the Utah State Board of Education for pre-approval on July 19, 2024, and received the designation. The Plan includes components for both numeracy and early literacy. Students in grades K-3 will be assessed in these academic areas three times per year. The Plan provides details on core instruction in mathematics and literacy, as well as interventions and support for struggling students.

## **Early Mathematics Goal #1:**

By May 24, 2025, Weber School District will increase the percentage of first-grade students who score at benchmark or above on the Acadience Math Advanced Quantity Discrimination Assessment from BOY to MOY by 4%. This will be achieved by providing targeted, evidence-based instruction and interventions that align with student needs to develop strong number sense and mathematical vocabulary, with increasing conceptual fluency, thereby enhancing the likelihood of students scoring at or above benchmark at the end of the year.

## **Early Literacy Goal #2:**

By May 24, 2025, 66% of Weber School District's kindergarten students will achieve typical or above growth on their end of year Acadience pathways goal. This will be accomplished by setting pathways goals for every student, monitoring students progress using the identified schedule, targeting student intervention using diagnostic assessments and progress monitoring data, implementing strong Tier 1 phonics instruction that follows the LETRS Phonics Lesson Plan, providing job embedded instructional coaching, utilizing the FORI Fluency Routine, and using differentiated, student-paced, language arts software to develop a strong reading foundation and set a pathway for skilled reading throughout the grades.

The entire *Weber School District Early Learning Plan for 2024-2025* is [attached](#) for your reference. At this time, we respectfully request Board approval of the included *Plan* in order to move to the next step with the Utah State Board of Education.

