ESSA UPDATE

Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)

- ODE has Formed Four Work Groups
 - Accountability
 - School & District Improvement
 - ▶ Educator Effectiveness
 - Standards & Assessment
- ▶ Four Meetings Scheduled First was April 7, 206
- ▶ Last Meeting is in June

ESSA UPDATE

- Purpose and Responsibility
 - ▶ Inform development of Oregon's ESSA State Plan.
 - Adhere to state and federal statutes
 - Explore aspects of the law where there is flexibility.
 - Convey Oregon's values and priorities for Oregon's ESSA State Plan.
 - Identify risks and/or unintended consequences.

ESSA UPDATE

- State-defined system, including the following:
 - Academic Indicators
 - Academic achievement on state tests;
 - Student growth or other academic indicator;
 - English Language proficiency for EL students; and
 - Graduation rates for high schools.
 - School Quality or Student Success Indicators
 - At least one non-academic indicator, determined, by the state (e.g. student engagement, access to advanced coursework, school climate, or other).
- > States decide how much indicators will count; academic indicators, must be given greater weight than non-academic indicators.

ESSA UPDATE ACCOUNTABILITY

- > States must identify and intervene in Schools, including:
 - The lowest-performing 5% of Title I Schools;
 - ▶ High Schools with <67% Graduation rates; and</p>
 - Schools with underperforming subgroups that do not improve after a state-determined number of years.
 - District must develop a Comprehensive Support and Improvement Plan, approved and monitored by the state.
 - The state sets exit criteria and determines action if schools do not meet the exit criteria.
- States must annually notify districts when one or more subgroups of students are consistently underperforming;
 - > School must implement **Targeted Support and Improvement Plans**, approved and monitored by district.

ESSA UPDATE SCHOOL & DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT

- Ends "Highly Qualified Teachers" (HQT) requirement;
 - ESSA requires district to report on teachers' experience, credentials, and teaching our-of-field
 - ESSA requires that teachers meet state licensure and certification requirements.
 - Oregon licensure allows Licensure for Conditional Assignment (LCA) while a teacher is working towards an endorsement.
- Ends federal mandate on educator evaluations;
 - > State law (SB290) and Oregon Administrative Rule remain.
- Fund to prepare and support teachers, principals, and other school leaders.

ESSA UPDATE EDUCATOR EFFECTIVENESS

Academic Standards

- States must adopt "challenging" academic standards in reading, math, and science.
- Achievement levels must be aligned with higher education and Career and Technical Education (CTE) institutions.

Assessments

- Math and language arts in grades 3-8 and once in grades 9-12.
- > Science once in each grade span: 3-5, 6-9, and 10-12

ESSA UPDATE STANDARDS & ASSESSMENT

- If approved by the state, high schools may use a nationally-recognized assessment, in place of state assessment;
 - Must be aligned to state standards
 - States develop technical criteria and process for approval of assessments.
- > 95% participation rate;
 - States decide how to include participation rate in their accountability system.

ESSA UPDATE STANDARDS & ASSESSMENT

- Work Group Charge
- Inform the development of a framework of supports for schools that may be identified for comprehensive and targeted supports
- Inform a plan for allocation of Title IA set-aside funds that may be used for Direct Services to students.
- Inform Oregon's exit criteria for schools receiving comprehensive and targeted support including progressive interventions for schools/district who are not demonstrating improvement.

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Thank You