



**OSPI  
ESD Report  
May  
2016**

Department	Note of Interest
Assessment & Student Information Robin Munson <a href="mailto:robin.munson@k12.wa.us">robin.munson@k12.wa.us</a> 360-725-6334	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Invitations to apply for science assessment development committees will be sent out in early May via the science listserv. The invitation will include a five-day Pilot Rangefinding/Rubric Validation Committee in July as well as a one-day Data Review Committee in September or October. Information about these committees will be posted on the science assessment website soon: <a href="http://www.k12.wa.us/Science/ProfDevelopment.aspx">http://www.k12.wa.us/Science/ProfDevelopment.aspx</a>.</li> <li>• Watch for information on item development activities for math and English language arts coming soon via the listservs for those content areas.</li> <li>• Reading and Writing HSPE scores will be available in ORS on Tuesday, May 15. The HSPE paper reports will be available to the districts between September 7 and September 9, 2016.</li> <li>• The Smarter Balanced testing window opened Monday, March 7 and continues through Friday, June 10. The first eight weeks have been very successful, with great staff preparation and all around confidence. Great job!</li> <li>• Resources for all our current state assessments, including manuals, specifications, training, and timelines are available at <a href="http://wa.portal.airast.org/">http://wa.portal.airast.org/</a>.</li> <li>• Monthly Assessment Update webinars are scheduled through May with the next webinar on May 10. To register for an upcoming webinar or to access previously recorded webinars visit <a href="http://www.k12.wa.us/TestAdministration/Trainings/default.aspx">http://www.k12.wa.us/TestAdministration/Trainings/default.aspx</a>.</li> <li>• WA-AIM completed administration April 8; scoring is slated to wrap up by May 6 with high school science standard setting occurring May 24–25.</li> </ul>
Secondary Education and Student Support Dan Newell <a href="mailto:dan.newell@k12.wa.us">dan.newell@k12.wa.us</a> 360-725-6175	<p><b>Graduation A Team Effort (Dropout Prevention)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Webinar: <i>Expanding Equity through Dual Credit</i>  <b>May 6</b>  <b>10 –11:00 a.m.</b>              Register at <a href="https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2876242527932364036">https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2876242527932364036</a>              This webinar series focusses on practices school districts are using to find success in increasing student achievement, particularly around elements of dropout prevention. In May, we will hear how the Everett School District is expanding dual credit with a lens on equity. Past webinars are archived online at <a href="http://www.k12.wa.us/GATE/Results.aspx">www.k12.wa.us/GATE/Results.aspx</a>.</li> </ul> <p><b>Project AWARE (Advancing Wellness and Resilience in Education)</b>  <a href="http://www.k12.wa.us/SecondaryEducation/AWARE.aspx">http://www.k12.wa.us/SecondaryEducation/AWARE.aspx</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We are piloting a curriculum resource on mental health for use in middle and high school health</li> </ul>

class settings. Interested schools are encouraged to participate. The curriculum resource aligns well with the revised Health and Physical Education K-12 Learning Standards. Our goal is to empower teachers by providing instruction on mental health awareness.

- **Hold the Date: Training of Teachers & Trainers**

- July 11–12 (2 day training), Tacoma

- Teachers, school professionals, and mental health champions are welcome to attend. This opportunity is open to all schools, however, training capacity is limited.

- Teachers interested in piloting this unit in a health class with students should email us so we can connect them with a trainer after July. Visit the website for a description of the curriculum resources. We can work with teachers to arrange a 1-day training session after mid-July.

- Contact Mandy Paradise for more information at [mandy.paradise@k12.wa.us](mailto:mandy.paradise@k12.wa.us).

### **Secondary Education**

- OSPI Data Analytics Release: *Postsecondary Enrollment and Remediation*

How can your ESD support school districts as we release data on our key performance indicators?

We are interested in sharing the type of data we are releasing and having an open conversation around how you can be prepared for the questions your districts might receive prior to its release.

Contact Rhett Nelson for more information at [rhett.nelson@k12.wa.us](mailto:rhett.nelson@k12.wa.us).

### **Student Support**

- **2016 Student Support Conference: *Whole Education for Whole Children***

- May 11–13

- Wenatchee Convention Center, Wenatchee, WA

### **WA Reach Higher Convening**

- **Hold the Date: June 30**

- Olympia Red Lion Hotel

- 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

- Please register at WA School Counselor Association (WSCA) website. <http://www.wa-schoolcounselor.org/> It is FREE to attend and lunch will be served. Free Clock hours are available.

- The national Reach Higher initiative is a convening of school counselors, state agency leaders, lawmakers, non-profits, school/district leaders and others who are provide postsecondary access information to students. This initiative focuses on the central role of leaders like you regarding college & career readiness for all students. You will walk away with new ideas, affirmation of your vital role as a leader in college & career readiness work and have the opportunity to collaborate with peers to garner the support of our state and national leaders. We will host a national keynote, school district presentations and affinity workgroups to review evidence-based practices and more! Limited to first 300 people who register. This event is being organized and supported by several state agencies and school districts. Registration and donation questions should be directed to Chris Kelly, WA School Counselor Association Executive Director, [tckelly2@comcast.net](mailto:tckelly2@comcast.net).

Special Programs & Federal

**Bilingual Education**

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**Professional Development Opportunities:**

See our [webpage](#) for upcoming [free](#) professional development opportunities.

**Bilingual Education Advisory Committee Parent Meeting:**

Who: Parents and guardians of students in Bilingual and ELL programs

What: Evening meeting to discuss English language development services

Why: Parents and guardians bring a very important perspective that leaders need to hear to make good decisions

When: Evening of Monday, May 23rd

Where: Yakima Valley Technical Skills Center

Questions: [Jenny.Choi@k12.wa.us](mailto:Jenny.Choi@k12.wa.us) or 360-725-4477

**Bilingual Education Advisory Committee Call to Action:**

The Committee released an [updated position paper](#) in February 2016. The document shares the Committee's recommendations on how to address improved performance for ELLs in the State of Washington.

**Transitional Bilingual Instructional Program Report to the Legislature:**

The [report](#) and [detailed data appendices](#) provide an overview of TBIP programming for the 2014-2015 school year.

**Dual Language Program:**

Migrant and Bilingual Education is conducting studies of districts with high graduation rates for ELs and migrant students. A final report is anticipated to be submitted for review in July. 12 districts are either planning or beginning new dual language programs in 2016-17.

**Title I, Part C, Migrant Education**

**State Migrant Education Conference:**

When: August 11-12, 2016

Where: Yakima Convention Center | Yakima, WA

Questions: [Terrie.Beckman@k12.wa.us](mailto:Terrie.Beckman@k12.wa.us) or 360-725-6147

**Summer Program Student Events include:**

Dare to Dream Planning Your Future and Academic Academies in partnership with the College Assistance Migrant Programs (CAMP) at UW, WSU, EWU, and CWU to occur various weeks in June. More information can be found at <https://www.msdr.org/Student/event>

Selected districts have been invited to participate in Islandwood, Voices from the Field – Science, June 27-

	<p>July 1, 2016 and Fort Worden, Voices from the Field – Arts, June 19-24, 2016.</p> <p>Visit <a href="https://www.msdr.org/">https://www.msdr.org/</a> to view the calendar of Migrant Education Program upcoming events and trainings.</p>
<p>Teaching &amp; Learning Kathe Taylor <a href="mailto:kathe.taylor@k12.wa.us">kathe.taylor@k12.wa.us</a> 360-725-6417</p>	<p><u>Statewide Teaching and Learning Network April 21 Meeting</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Resources from the April 21 meeting, including OSPI updates and the Northwest ESD presentation on Deep Learning can be found <a href="#">here</a>.</li> </ul> <p><u>Bridge to College</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Registration</a> is still being accepted for high schools interested in joining the SBCTC/OSPI Bridge to College project. Successful completion of these mathematics and English language arts courses by students who scored at Level 2 on Smarter Balanced assessment will enable students to place in credit-bearing courses when they enter college.</li> </ul> <p><u>Digital Learning</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School districts and parents will be able to work directly with Online Providers for Summer School 2016 enrollments. Information will be posted on the Digital Learning Department website <a href="http://digitallearning.k12.wa.us/">http://digitallearning.k12.wa.us/</a>; which will detail which approved providers are offering summer school, courses available, fees, and the link for direct contact with provider for registration and invoicing options. Enrollments and invoicing will not be coordinated through the DLD.</li> </ul> <p><u>Health and Physical Education</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Newly adopted Standards are available on the OSPI Website.</li> <li>May 25<sup>th</sup>, 10-11 am: <u>Orientation to the New Standards Webinar</u> (Hosted by OSPI for teachers, administrators, parents, and community partners.)</li> </ul> <p><u>Mathematics and Science</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Every school district in Washington is eligible to receive state-funded math and science professional development for high school math and science teachers in the 2015–2016 school year. This funding is provided by 2015 Budget Bill ESSB 6052.</li> <li><a href="#">Visit the HS Math &amp; Science PD webpage for more information and how to register for the courses.</a></li> </ul> <p><u>World Languages</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>District administrators will receive a request to complete a short survey in May/June 2016 about their district’s progress on implementing the World Language Seal of Biliteracy. The survey is co-sponsored by the University of WA and OSPI. For further information, contact Angela Dávila at <a href="mailto:angela.davila@k12.wa.us">angela.davila@k12.wa.us</a></li> </ul>
<p>Office of Student and School Success Michael Merrin <a href="mailto:Michael.Merrin@k12.wa.us">Michael.Merrin@k12.wa.us</a> 360-725-4960</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>OSSS Events</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regional Improvement Network (RIN)- May 18, Regional ESD</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>Important Due Dates</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indistar- May 30, 2016 SIG and RAD Schools and Districts are due to submit their Action Plans into Indistar®. The May 30th date should be viewed as a “snapshot” of the ongoing action-planning and implementation process. Teams organize and “memorialize” their work;</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>connect with the latest research on transformational teaching and leadership—through the Indistar® Collaborative Action Planning tool. Currently, the number of schools voluntarily using Indistar® outnumber the schools required to use the tool in Washington State. Please contact the Office of Student and School Success if your district is not using Indistar® and would like to use a web-based, fidelity-aligned school improvement (SIP) and/or district improvement (DIP) tool. Using Indistar® is free for all Washington Schools and Districts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>OSSS Newsletter</b> is sent out monthly to stakeholders to keep them apprised of the work that is being done both in office and around districts and schools. <a href="#">Click here</a> to subscribe.</li> </ul>
<p>Early Learning Bob Butts <a href="mailto:Bob.butts@k12.wa.us">Bob.butts@k12.wa.us</a> 360-725-0420</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>ESSA Early Childhood Workgroup:</b> ESSA significantly expands the options for school districts to invest a portion of their federal funds in early childhood services and in professional development for early childhood educators. It also requires OSPI to provide technical assistance to school districts regarding preschool programs. If you are interested in getting more information, go to the OSPI ESSA website and click on the Early Childhood link.</li> <li>• <b>Full-day Kindergarten:</b> The mid-April deadline for notifying OSPI about whether school districts want to accept funds for full-day kindergarten in their schools has passed and approximately 30 school districts have not responded. For more information, go to: <a href="http://www.k12.wa.us/EarlyLearning/FullDayKindergartenResearch.aspx">http://www.k12.wa.us/EarlyLearning/FullDayKindergartenResearch.aspx</a></li> <li>• <b>Teacher/Substitute Shortage:</b> SB 6455 and the operating budget allows recently retired teachers to serve as substitutes; provides additional funds for the state’s mentor program; creates a central, statewide depository for teacher position applications; a grant program for student teachers doing their residency; and an in-state and out-of-state recruitment campaign.</li> <li>• <b>Conferences:</b> Reading Summit, Lynnwood Convention Center, June 20-21, Register Open <a href="http://www.k12.wa.us/ELA/pubdocs/Summit13June2016.pdf">http://www.k12.wa.us/ELA/pubdocs/Summit13June2016.pdf</a> Starting Strong P-3 Institute, Tacoma, August 1–3 Register Now! <a href="http://startingstrong.net/">http://startingstrong.net/</a></li> </ul>
<p>Information Technology Peter Tamayo <a href="mailto:peter.tamayo@k12.wa.us">peter.tamayo@k12.wa.us</a> 360-725-6134</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The 2016 legislature passed Substitute Senate Bill 6273, "Concerning safe technology use and digital citizenship in public schools". This bill requires OSPI to develop best practices and recommendations for instruction in digital citizenship, internet safety, and media literacy by December 1, 2016. These must include instruction that provides guidance about thoughtful, safe, and strategic uses of online and other media resources, and education on how to apply critical thinking skills when consuming and producing information. OSPI must report to the Legislature on strategies to implement the best practices and recommendations statewide to school districts. To develop the best practices and recommendations, OSPI must convene and consult with an advisory committee. The advisory committee must include representatives from WSSDA; experts in digital citizenship, internet safety, and media literacy; teacher-librarians; and other stakeholders including parent associations, educators, and administrators.</li> </ul>

	<p>Interested educators and community members are invited to participate in this Digital Citizenship Initiative in a variety of ways, including participating in the advisory committee (which will likely involve 3 face-to-face meetings, 2 virtual meetings, with dates TBD), providing feedback to draft documents from workgroups, and/or sharing successful practices or resources. Please complete this brief survey if you would like to be involved in one or more ways:  <a href="http://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/2728687/DC">http://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/2728687/DC</a></p> <p>For more information on the legislation: <a href="http://app.leg.wa.gov/billinfo/summary.aspx?bill=6273&amp;year=2015">http://app.leg.wa.gov/billinfo/summary.aspx?bill=6273&amp;year=2015</a></p>
<p>Special Education  Doug Gill  <a href="mailto:Doug.gill@k12.wa.us">Doug.gill@k12.wa.us</a>  360-725-6075</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="http://www.k12.wa.us/SpecialEd/monthlyupdates/April2016updates.pdf">http://www.k12.wa.us/SpecialEd/monthlyupdates/April2016updates.pdf</a></li> </ul>
<p>K–12 Education  Gil Mendoza  <a href="mailto:Gil.mendoza@k12.wa.us">Gil.mendoza@k12.wa.us</a>  360-725-6343</p>	<p><b>Educator Effectiveness</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TPEP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ iGrants 664 (TPEP training for teachers) and iGrants 773 (TPEP training for administrators) form packages for school year 2016–17 will be released by June 1. Funding amounts for iGrants 664 should be just shy of 2015–16 amounts, as we are establishing a “funding floor” for very small districts.</li> <li>○ PLEASE submit claims for 2015–16 iGrants 664 funds. If you know you will not use the funds that have been approved, let Sue Anderson know ASAP so they can be reallocated.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• BEST <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There is new money for the BEST program to support beginning teachers. This is a competitive grant process. The bulletin explaining how to apply will be released mid-May.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p>Superintendent's feedback</p>	