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State Board of Education Reviews Proposals to Incorporate Student Growth Measures into the Way Schools are Evaluated in Washington State

Olympia, WA – The Washington State Board of Education’s May 7-9 meeting in Federal Way, Washington, will focus on revising the Washington Achievement Index to include measures of student growth. The meeting will also address standards for approval for charter school authorizers, Annual Measurable Achievement Objectives for English Language Learners, Next Generation Science Standards, and CTE course equivalencies in Science.

On Tuesday, elected Board members will interview and evaluate applicants for the vacant Region 5 seat on the Board, for the purpose of recommending a candidate to the full Board for approval.

On Wednesday, the Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed rules for charter schools after a presentation on the charter school authorizer review and approval process.

On May 9, Mr. Robert Neu, Superintendent of the Federal Way Public Schools, will host a school visit by Board members to the Technology Access Foundation (TAF Academy).

Materials related to the Achievement Index, charter schools, the meeting agenda, and other agenda items for the May meeting are available at www.sbe.wa.gov.

Time for public comment will be provided.

The public and news media are invited to attend.

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