Is Washington State Ready to Seek a Waiver From the Elementary and Secondary Education Act?

Adoption of College and Career-Ready Standards

- Involved in Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium
- Adoption of the Common Core State Standards

State-Developed Differentiated Systems of Recognition, Accountability, and Support

- Achievement Index is a good start, but Washington would need to:
  - Refine the Achievement Index and include student growth
  - Develop a methodology to identify and support lowest performing schools (also required by SB 6696)
  - Set annual measurable objectives in at least reading and mathematics

Teacher and Principal Evaluation

- Pilot evaluation is a good start, but Washington would need to:
  - Use student growth as a significant factor
  - Use data as a factor in personnel decisions.

Reduce Duplication and Unnecessary Burden of Reporting

- Washington has recently reviewed reporting requirements per state law
- Washington would need to develop an outreach strategy to include diverse stakeholders