

## THE WASHINGTON STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

A high-quality education system that prepares all students for college, career, and life.

## 95% / 10% CHALLENGE

Today, the State Board of Education endorsed two key goals for the WA K-12 System pertaining to this year's administration of the Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA).

## 1. GOAL: ALL SCHOOLS MEET THE 95% PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENT

 The Board challenges all schools to meet the 95% participation requirement established under federal law and included in the State Accountability Workbook.

## 2. GOAL: WA REDUCES # OF STUDENTS REQUIRING POST-SECONDARY REMEDIAL COURSEWORK BY 10%

• Save time. Save Money. Institutions of higher education in Washington have made it clear that the SBA is an important assessment. Students who pass the Smarter Balanced assessment qualify to skip remedial coursework altogether. Washington can meet the challenge of reducing remedial coursework rates by 10% this year. It saves students time and money! More students taking and passing the SBA means fewer students in remedial courses.

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