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Title:	Approval of Private Schools	
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Policy Considerations / Key Questions:	Approval under RCW 28A.195.040 and Chapter 180-90 WAC	
Possible Board Action:	<input type="checkbox"/> Review <input type="checkbox"/> Adopt <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approve <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	
Materials Included in Packet:	<input type="checkbox"/> Memo <input type="checkbox"/> Graphs / Graphics <input type="checkbox"/> Third-Party Materials <input type="checkbox"/> PowerPoint	
Synopsis:	<p>Private schools seeking the Washington State Board of Education's approval are required to submit an application to OSPI. Materials included in the application include: 1) State Standards Certificate of Compliance, 2) documents verifying that the school meets the criteria for approval established by statute and regulations.</p> <p>Enrollment figures, including extension student enrollment, are estimates provided by the applicants. Actual student enrollment, number of teachers, and the teacher preparation teacher/student ratio for both the school and extension programs are reported to OSPI in October each year. Pre-school enrollment is collected for information purposes only.</p> <p>Private schools may provide a service to the home school community through an extension program subject to the provisions of Chapter 28A.195 RCW. These students are counted for state purposes as private school students.</p>	