Recognition System

Equitable Student Access to Educators
and Educator Quality Growth

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1. Overview of State Equity Plan

1.1 Background of law and equity plan requirements

State Equity Plans - required by section 1111 (b)(8)(C) of Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA)

The state must describe the steps it will take

“to ensure that poor and minority children are not taught at higher rates than other children by inexperienced, unqualified or out-of-field teachers, and the measures the state will use to evaluate and publicly report the progress of the state with respect to such steps.”
1.2 Process and timeline for developing the plan

- **July 2014**
  Secretary Arne Duncan announced initiative

- **November 10, 2014**
  Department of Education issued letter and guidance on new Equity Plan requirements including:
  - Data Files- 2011-12 Civil Rights Data Collection (CRDC)
  - Educator Equity Profiles-issued to states and published on website
  - Equitable Access Support Network (EASN)

- **June 1, 2015**
  Plans were due

- **October 22, 2015**
  Final Plan was approved on October 22, 2015
1.3 Equity Plan Components

1. Consultation- describe and provide documentation of how the State consulted with stakeholders on the plan

2. Identify equity gaps, calculating gaps between the rates students in poverty and students of color are taught by inexperienced, unqualified or out-of-field teachers as compared to their peers

3. Conduct a root-cause analysis-explain likely causes of identified equity gaps

4. Steps to eliminate identified equity gaps-describe strategies, timelines and progress monitoring

5. Measures-how will the State evaluate progress towards eliminating the identified equity gaps

6. Public reporting- how will the State report its progress publically, including timelines
2. Equitable Student Access to Educators

**Educators**

- Classroom Teachers
- Principals and Superintendents
- Other School Leaders
- Educational Staff Associates (ESAs)
## 2. Equitable Student Access to Educators

### 2.1. Data Element and Definition

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<td>Inexperienced Teacher</td>
<td>A teacher has a fewer than or equal to 5.0 years of teaching experience.</td>
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<td>Out-of-Field Teacher</td>
<td>A teacher teaches outside of her/his endorsed content area(s) or grade level span for each endorsement.</td>
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<td>Limited Certificate Teacher</td>
<td>A teacher who hold only limited certificate or report limited certificate to override Out-of-Field status.</td>
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2. Equitable Student Access to Educators

2.2. Data Structure

**Student Access to Educators:**

1. Teaching Assignment
   - (Content area → Course → Term → Section)
2. Teacher Category
3. Student Demographic information in each section
Student Access to Educator
- Which Student Group(s) are taught by each teacher category? -

- **What course do they teach?**
  1. Content Area (e.g., Math)
  2. Course (e.g., Algebra I)

- **Are they Inexperienced, Out-of-Field, or Limited Certificate Teacher?**

- **When do they teach the course?**
  3. Term (e.g., All year, Term 1, 2, 3, and 4)

- **How many sections do they teach?**
  4. Section (e.g., Section ID: Math01, Math02)

- **Which students are taking the section?**
  5. (Student Schedule and Demographic and Program Information)
2.3. Data Dive
Teacher Qualification Data for 2017-2018 school year

State level

- Inexperienced status: 27.3%
- Limited Certificated status: 5.7%
- Out-of-Field status: 10.3%

Data Source: State Report Card (https://washingtonstatereportcard.ospi.k12.wa.us/)
2.3. Data Dive
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<td>3.2%</td>
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2.3. Data Dive: Student Access to Out-of-Field Teachers

State level

- All: 12.9%
- Low Income: 15.1%
- Students with disabilities: 13.9%
- English language learners: 13.3%
- Students of color: 14.4%
- American Indian/Alaskan Native: 11.4%
- Asian: 9.2%
- Black/African American: 14.2%
- Hispanic/Latino of any race(s): 15.0%
- Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander: 10.1%
- Two or More Races: 11.5%
- White: 11.8%
- Not Provided: 14.6%

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2.3. Data Dive: Student Access to Out-of-Field Teachers

School A
- ALL: 3.8%
- Low Income: 4.3%
- Students with disabilities: 1.5%
- English language learners: 2.0%
- Students of color: 4.1%
- American Indian/Alaskan Native: 0.0%
- Asian: 0.0%
- Black/African American: 3.1%
- Hispanic/Latino of any race(s): 4.5%
- Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander: 0.0%
- Two or More Races: 1.4%
- White: 2.6%
- Not Provided: 0.0%

School B
- ALL: 14.6%
- Low Income: 15.0%
- Students with disabilities: 13.3%
- English language learners: 0.0%
- Students of color: 11.8%
- American Indian/Alaskan Native: 0.0%
- Asian: 4.1%
- Black/African American: 0.0%
- Hispanic/Latino of any race(s): 12.9%
- Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander: 0.0%
- Two or More Races: 7.7%
- White: 16.3%
- Not Provided: 0.0%

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3. Educators Quality Growth

3.1. Factors of Educator Quality Growth

**Teacher Category:**
- Inexperienced Teacher
- Out-of-Field Teacher
- Limited Certificate Teacher

**Retention/Support (Existing Teacher)**

**Recruitment from**
- Other LEAs,
- Out-of-State, or
- College of Education

**Offering New Courses and Programs**

(e.g. Dual Language Program)
3. Educators Quality Growth

3.2. Potential Data Elements

(1) Retention Rate by
   • Years of Teaching Experience
   • Race/Ethnicity
   • Content Area

(2) Extension of content areas’ knowledge
   (Obtaining additional Endorsement(s))

(3) Educator Diversity

(4) Number of Dual Language courses offered

(5) Ratio between Certified ESAs and Student

(6) Anything else?
Thank you.

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