

# STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

**HEARING TYPE:**              X   INFORMATION/ACTION

**DATE:**                      MAY 11, 2007

**SUBJECT:**                 **BOARD GOAL ON PREPARING STUDENTS FOR SUCCESS**

**SERVICE UNIT:**            State Board of Education  
                                      Edie Harding, Executive Director

**PRESENTER:**                Mary Jean Ryan, Chair, State Board of Education

## **BACKGROUND:**

At the March Board meeting, Chair Ryan presented a PowerPoint on Accountability: The Bedrock: Clear Goals and Measureable Objectives. She highlighted the need for the Board to know what it is trying to achieve through clear goals and measureable objectives. She proposed that the Board consider adopting an overarching goal as follows:

*Prepare all Washington State students for success in post-secondary education, the world of work, and citizenship.*

The systems performance accountability and meaningful high school diploma committees are reviewing this goal. At the May Board meeting, you will be asked to decide whether or not you think the Board should approve this goal.