



EXHIBIT E

2015-2016 MINIMUM BASIC EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS COMPLIANCE

RCW 28A.150.220 (Basic Education – Minimum instructional requirements – Program accessibility) requires the SBE to adopt rules to implement and ensure compliance with the program requirements imposed by this section and related laws on basic education allocations.

RCW 28A.150.250 directs that if a school district's basic education program fails to meet the basic education requirements enumerated in these sections of law, the SBE shall require the Superintendent of Public Instruction to withhold state funds in whole or in part for the basic education allocation until program compliance is assured.

The SBE carries out this duty through required, annual reporting by school districts on compliance with the minimum basic education requirements set in law. These include:

1. Kindergarten minimum 180-day school year.
2. Kindergarten total instructional hour offering.
3. Grades 1-12 minimum 180-day school year.
4. Grades 1-12 total instructional hour offering.
5. State high school graduation minimum requirements.

District graduation requirements are reported on page two of the compliance report so that SBE may respond accurately to questions about district requirements from other school districts, the Legislature, and The Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI). These questions were updated for the 2014-15 school year to collect data on Career Technical Education course equivalencies and other credit and non-credit district graduation requirements. The other credit and non-credit district graduation requirements include the High School and Beyond Plan, culminating project, computers and digital technology, community service, and personal finance. These questions were further updated for the 2015-16 school year to collect data on whether the district has a waiver of the 180 school day requirement, which method of calculating instructional hours is used, and the number of science credits that are laboratory science credits.

On July 30, 2015 the SBE launched the basic education compliance reports in the OSPI iGrants system. On July 31, 2015 the SBE notified all districts that they must complete and submit the online report by September 15, 2015. After the deadline, periodic reminders were sent to districts that had not yet submitted compliance reports.

As of November 5, 2015 compliance reports had been submitted by all 295 school districts and approved by SBE staff.