



# An Update on the Smarter Balanced Placement Agreement and the *Bridge to College Initiative*

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# Placement Agreement: Framing Questions

- 1. What information is available on to what extent the statewide SBA agreement is being used for placement?**
- 2. Are the logistical and process challenges being addressed (e.g., how colleges receive SBA results?)**





# Use of Placement Agreement

- **No formal data yet but no major complaints from colleges**
- **Challenges:**
  - Decentralized system
  - Students responsible for providing their scores
  - Data on placement methods collected locally, if at all
- **Agreement extended through Class of 2020**





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# Bridge to College: Framing Questions, Part I

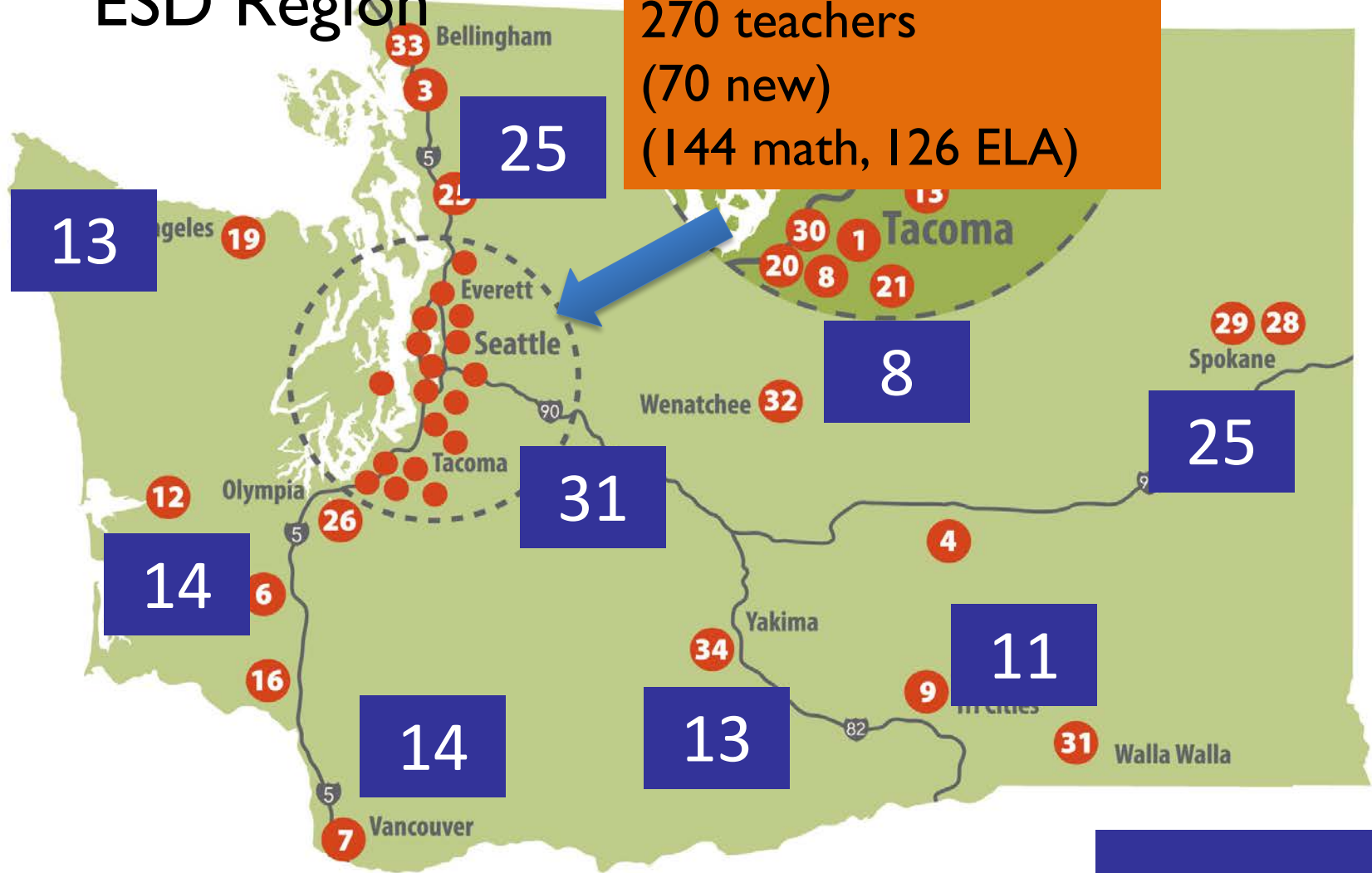
- 1. How many students have taken the courses and what are the plans for increasing capacity?**
- 2. Any information yet on how students who took the courses have transitioned to postsecondary education?**
- 3. Any progress on the courses being accepted by the NCAA?**



# 2016-17 Bridge to College High Schools by ESD Region

2017-18 (Est.)  
 81 districts  
 128 high schools  
 270 teachers  
 (70 new)  
 (144 math, 126 ELA)

97 districts  
 154 high schools  
 276 teachers



College HSs





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# 2014-2015 SBA Level for Students Completing 2015-16 Bridge to College

Achievement Level	Math	English
1	47%	19%
2	43%	44%
3	9%	29%
4	1%	8%

Source: CEDARS, 4/20/17





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# Grades for Students Completing 2015-16 Bridge to College Courses

Math

English

Grades	Number of Students	%	Number of Students	%
A	444	17%	663	21%
B	880	34%	840	27%
C	692	26%	791	25%
D	365	14%	505	16%
F (or other)	244	9%	343	11%
Total	2625	100%	3142	100%



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2017-18:

## Preparing for a Post-Grant Future

- Refining course infrastructure to provide more flexible options for supporting a broader range of teachers
- Expanding the focus to junior year offerings in both English and math
- Strengthening and formalizing the higher education connection
- Working with OSPI to implement ESHB 2224





# What's the impact of ESHB 2224 on the Bridge to College courses?

- Shifting high school assessment to 10<sup>th</sup> grade affects placement agreement
- *Bridge to College* courses as approved local courses and “objective alternative” assessments
  - Refine assessments and rubrics
  - Connect with HS & Beyond plans





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