

Background Materials & Pre-Reads for August 30 ESSA Work Group Meeting #2

ASSESSMENT

Documents Shared:

- *Preparing for ESSA's "Nationally Recognized High School Assessment" Provision*, presentation slides from Center for Assessment (June 2016)
- *State Assessment Systems under ESSA: A Briefing for PA Work Group Members*, Erika Hall, Center for Assessment (August 25, 2016)

ACCOUNTABILITY

Documents Shared:

- *Technical Assistance Brief: Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and Accountability*, MACC@WestEd, August 2016.
- *Technical Assistance Brief: ESSA and English Language Proficiency – Considerations for English Language Proficiency Indicators in State Accountability Systems*, MACC@WestEd, August 2016.
- *Technical Assistance Brief: Case Study of Massachusetts – Massachusetts' Approach to Improving Low-Performing Schools*, MACC@WestEd, August 2016.

EDUCATOR CERTIFICATION

Documents Shared:

- PA Certifications by Subject Area and Concentration (2011-2016 data)
- PA Alternative Educator Preparation Programs
- Summary of Responses from the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification (NASDTEC) Spring Survey on Grade Span Certification Ranges

External Links:

- U.S. Department of Education, *2015 Title II Reports: National Teacher Preparation Data*, <https://title2.ed.gov/Public/Home.aspx>.
 - Pennsylvania report: <https://title2.ed.gov/Public/Report/StateHome.aspx>.
 - Data Tools: <https://title2.ed.gov/Public/DataTools/Tables.aspx>.
- USDE, *Pathways to Teaching*, February 2015, https://title2.ed.gov/Public/42653_Title_II_Infographic_Booklet.pdf;
- Hannah Putman et al., *High Hopes and Harsh Realities: The Real Challenges to Building a Diverse Workforce*, Brown Center on Education Policy at Brookings Institution, August 2016, https://www.brookings.edu/wp-content/uploads/2016/08/browncenter_20160818_teacherdiversityreportpr_hansen.pdf;
- *Critical Area Outline on Teacher and Leader Quality*, CCSSO, April 2016, <http://www.ccsso.org/Documents/2016/CriticalAreaOutlineTeacherandLeaderQuality.pdf>;
- Education Commission of the States, *ESSA: Quick Guides on Top Issues*, August 2016, <http://www.ecs.org/ec-content/uploads/ESSA-Quick-guides-on-top-issues.pdf> (see "Teachers and School Leaders" section);
- Alex Zimmerman, "Harvard's New Approach to America's Teacher Deficit," *The Atlantic*, August 14, 2016, http://www.theatlantic.com/education/archive/2016/08/harvards-new-approach-to-americas-teaching-deficit/495677/?utm_source=atlfb; and

- Sylvia Allegretto and Lawrence Mishel, *The Teacher Pay Gap is Wider than Ever*, Economic Policy Institute, August 9, 2016, <http://www.epi.org/publication/the-teacher-pay-gap-is-wider-than-ever-teachers-pay-continues-to-fall-further-behind-pay-of-comparable-workers/>.

EDUCATOR EVALUATION

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- SREB, *State Actions to Advance Teacher Evaluation*, February 2016, http://publications.sreb.org/2016/160210_stateactionstoadvanceteachereval.pdf.
- Olivia Little et al., *A Practical Guide to Evaluating Teacher Effectiveness*, National Comprehensive Center for Teacher Quality, April 2009, <http://files.eric.ed.gov/fulltext/ED543776.pdf>; and
- Tara Kini and Anne Podolsky, *Does Teaching Experience Increase Teacher Effectiveness? A Review of the Research*, Learning Policy Institute, June 2016, <https://learningpolicyinstitute.org/our-work/publications-resources/does-teaching-experience-increase-teacher-effectiveness-review-research/>.