

UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Subject:

INFORMATION: SB 127 (2022) Early Literacy Outcomes Improvement Quarterly Update

Agenda item type:

Information Item

Recommended Action:

Information item, no motion for the Committee.

Purpose of Memo:

Other

Background:

Background: In the 2022 Legislative Session, Senate Bill 127 (2022) was passed led by the efforts of Senator Millner and Representative Last. USBE staff, Local Education Agency (LEA) leaders, principals, coaches, and teachers are working diligently to implement the many components of this comprehensive bill. This update will provide information about the work that has been completed between December 2025 - February 2026.

Higher Education Alignment and Recognition

- Eight of nine Utah Educator Preparation Programs exceeded the 75% proficiency threshold
- Statewide pass rates increased 18% over the previous year, reaching 88%
- University and program awards have been presented to recognize excellence in Science of Reading implementation
- During the 2025–2026 school year, six Science of Reading awards have been presented statewide, with additional recognition forthcoming

Professional Learning Supports

Collective Efficacy Community of Practice

- The 25-26 Collective Efficacy Institute will hosted session in Salt Lake in February

Change Management for Leaders

- Cohort 4 (final cohort): Kicked off in February with over 300 administrators

From Science to Classroom Webinar Series

- Nearly 1200 educators have attended the “From the Science to the Classroom” Webinars so far this school year. You can view past webinars on YouTube: [Webinar Series](#).

Anita Archer Explicit Instruction Train the Trainer

- 150 literacy coaches and LEA leaders attended the week long training
- 500+ educators engaged in the evening webinar hosted by USBE

System Supports

Community Engagement

- The USBE will be hosting 7 regional family literacy events around the State beginning in February.
 - Dates and locations:
 - San Juan School District Tse'Bii'Nidzizgai Elementary School: 2/11/2026
 - Iron School District: 2/12/2026
 - Box Elder School District Three Mile Creek Elementary: 2/23/2026
 - Juab School District TBD: 3/4/2026
 - Cache School District Greenville Elementary: 4/9/2026
 - Davis School District Bountiful Elementary: 4/15/2026
 - Ogden School District Hillcrest Elementary: 4/16/2026

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Attachments:

1. SB 127 Quarterly Update Board Backup Document 3_2026.docx
2. ReadToSucceed-Feb_V2
3. Literacy Update - March 2026 Board Meeting
4. Lexile-RISE Analyses
5. March 2026 Board Meeting (1)
6. USBE Lexile Report