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MEMORANDUM

TO: Members, Utah State Board of Education

FROM: Rich K. Nye
Deputy Superintendent of Student Achievement

DATE: September 8-9, 2016

ACTION: Accountability Task Force Recommendations

Background:

On May 12, 2016 a motion was made by the Utah State Board of Education to begin the process of rulemaking to discontinue the SAGE summative assessments in grades 9-11 and replace them with the ACT test in the 11th grade which would be the high school summative assessment, conditioned upon the Utah Legislature passing an amendment to 53A-1-603(1)(c).” The Board’s Accountability Task Force was assigned to explore alternatives to SAGE in high school. The Task Force has also considered statewide accountability models and 3-8 SAGE.

The Task Force will report on its work and forward recommendations for action to the Board concerning high school assessments, school grading for high school, and 3-8 SAGE.

Board Strategic Plan:

This item supports the following imperative(s) and strategies in the Board’s Strategic Plan:

- Imperatives Educational Equity and Quality Learning
- Strategies Accountability

Anticipated Action:

The Board will consider approval of the Accountability Task Force’s recommendations.

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