TO: The Honorable Members of the State Board of Education

FROM: Janet Barresi

DATE: June 12, 2013

SUBJECT: Teacher and Leader Effectiveness (TLE) Update

TLE Commission

The next regularly scheduled TLE Commission is July 16, 2013, at 1 p.m. During this Commission meeting, members will discuss student growth measures.

TLE Timeline

In response to Superintendent Barresi's request, legislators have proposed a two-year delay for the full implementation of the entire TLE evaluation system. Districts have received in-depth information as to which steps need to be taken at the district level in order to fully implement TLE with fidelity based on the new timeline, assuming that SB426 is signed into law. Information was presented in person to a core group of assistant superintendents and detailed timelines have been emailed to all district leadership personnel across the state including superintendents and administrators. The timelines are attached for your review.

Roster Verification and Value Added Analysis

Districts that chose to participate in the pilot year of Roster Verification have verified rosters to link teachers and students for teacher evaluation purposes. Teachers have been able to complete this process easily. It has come to our attention, however, that many districts need to change the way data is entered in their local student information systems in order to provide accurate information to The Wave, which is transferred to the Battelle for Kids system. Districts who did not review their data this year through the Roster Verification process are being encouraged to follow a "Best Practices" guide on the SDE website and correct data over the summer so that next year's implementation of Roster Verification will be as simple as possible for local districts.

Qualitative Survey Report

The TLE office is requesting feedback from teachers as to how the qualitative pilot has impacted their teaching practice this year. Information gained from this survey will be reported to the State Board of Education at the regularly scheduled board meeting in June.

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