To: Members of the State Board of Education

From: Andrew Melin, Chief Innovation Officer  
Benjamin Carter, Director of Workforce and Innovation

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Re: Graduation Pathways Update

1. A summary of the Department’s implementation efforts since last update;
   a. Learn and Demonstrate Employability Skills: Facilitating interagency work-based learning taskforce comprised of 23 educators from around the state to update program standards, create a comprehensive implementation manual, and to develop a training session for work-based learning coordinators. This is a collaborative effort between the Department of Workforce Development and the Department of Education. Hosted most recent meeting on June 13th, 2019.
   b. Learn and Demonstrate Employability Skills: Jobs for America’s Graduates high school course submitted for approval.
   c. Learn and Demonstrate Employability Skills: Statewide Project-Based Learning training set for July 15-17, 2019 in partnership with Ford Next Generation Learning with 100 certified educators from over 75 different districts.
   e. Learn and Demonstrate Employability Skills: Attended Indiana Talent Network meeting on June 10th, 2019.
   f. Learn and Demonstrate Employability Skills: Presented on work-based learning at the Purdue Leadership Training series on June 11th, 2019.
   g. Learn and Demonstrate Employability Skills: Presented at Education Workforce Innovation Network (EWIN) Pathways Summit on June 24th, 2019.
   i. Postsecondary-Ready Competency: Notified field of the recently updated Industry-Recognized Certification list for the 2019-2020 school year.

2. A written summary detailing implementation issues and questions not addressed by the Policy Guidance that are submitted to the Department, as well as the corresponding answers and guidance issued by the Department to school corporations and individual schools;
   a. Over 625 questions received through our email option since June 18, 2018.
b. 53 of the most frequently asked questions are listed at
   https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Ek7QgExuEQORQ7CzVS02HgoKmx7tfT0g5EPRRfnnyKA/edit

3. Professional development/training conducted by the Department (including a copy of all materials used by the Department for the same);
      i. https://drive.google.com/open?id=1DkinL45kOKU04lZY5_UAjRE5pGZI6mfj
   b. Superintendent’s Summit on June 14, 2019.
      i. https://drive.google.com/open?id=1l-zdBOp84v0Pya9XBB9nMtMrdmdvfbSue5RFyW8wZ18
   c. Education Workforce Innovation Network (EWIN) Annual Pathways Summit on June 24th presentation with the Office of Work Based Learning and Apprenticeship.
      i. https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1-G3FSJKvlzk3tvsgbTDdUmd8u8GDumfMjS5jqHJZkjA/edit#slide=id.g5b1f15407a_0_0

4. A list of corporations and schools that have developed best practices when implementing Graduation Pathways and the specific practices developed; and
   a. Promising practices folders can be found at https://www.doe.in.gov/graduation-pathways
   b. Best practices presented at SBOE meetings can be found at https://www.doe.in.gov/pathwaypractices

5. A plan for compliance and for reporting the information to the SBOE, including early adopter data.
   a. No updates to report.

If you have any questions, please email DOEGradpathways@doe.in.gov.