GRADUATION MEASURES INITIATIVE UPDATE

APRIL 11, 2022
## WINTER 2022 REGIONAL MEETINGS

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“THOUGHT EXCHANGE” - QUESTION 1

What knowledge, skills, and/or experiences do you think are important for ALL students to have by the end of high school?

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Empathy & Interconnectedness  Students should graduate with an awareness of how they are connected to others, to society, to their communities.  

The ability to think creatively and critically. To be able to solve problems that present themselves to them throughout their lives.  

Problem Solving/Independent Thinkers  Students will face difficulties in and outside the classroom and need to be prepared and equipped with the mindset and tools needed to succeed.
“THOUGHT EXCHANGE” - QUESTION 1 WORD CLOUD
How would you like students to show that they have the knowledge, skills, and/or experiences necessary for graduation?

Students should be allowed a portfolio option to highlight their skills. It's insane that students must be forced to take and fail the Regents exams in order to be allowed to receive a local diploma.

Opportunities to apply their knowledge and skills in real-world contexts, such as work-based learning, projects, etc. Because learning doesn't happen in a vacuum! And research shows that learning is cemented when we have chances to apply in novel contexts.

Performance assessments that show skills and knowledge obtained and applied. Employees are seldom evaluated by multiple choice or writing prompts but rather by their ability to with knowledge and apply effectively.
“THOUGHT EXCHANGE” - QUESTION 2 WORD CLOUD

knowledge learning show
know way written present
problem multiple demonstrate
project portfolio
college required
service community
skills forms +
work visual arts real
professionals solving based
performance ideas
different experiences world assessment
oral teaching
class exams pass
oral
regents
standardized
## DRAFT TIMELINE

### Phase I: Information Gathering & Learning
- **November 2019 – March 2020:**
  - Literature review of research and practices in other states.
  - Regional meetings held beginning Jan.– Mar. 2020 to gather feedback from across the state.
- **March 2020:** All Regional Meetings canceled due to COVID-19 pandemic.
- **Fall 2021 – Spring 2022:** Regional Meetings held in virtual format.
- **Spring / Summer 2022:** Compile Regional Meeting feedback.
- **Fall 2022:**
  - Present regional meeting and literature review findings to the Board.
  - Establish the Blue Ribbon Commission (BRC) and draft meeting schedule.

### Phase II: Blue Ribbon Commission
- **Fall 2022 – Winter 2023:**
  - Commission’s first meeting – the BRC convenes and defines its scope of work.
  - Blue Ribbon Commission second meeting to identify priority areas and a framework for moving forward. Establish sub-groups for priority areas.
- **Winter 2023 – Spring 2023:** Sub-groups meet.
- **Spring 2023 – Summer 2023:** Sub-groups develop proposed recommendations.
- **Fall 2023 – Winter 2024:** Sub-groups advance recommendations to the BRC.
- **Winter 2024 – Spring 2024:** The BRC finalizes recommendations and a report is prepared.

### Phase III: Regents Discussion
- **Spring / Summer 2024:** The BRC’s final report is presented to the Board of Regents for consideration.
QUESTIONS?