

TO: Roger Breed, Ed.D.
Commissioner of Education

FROM: Pat Roschewski, Director of Statewide Assessment

SUBJECT: Alignment Study for the Nebraska State Accountability (NeSA-Alternate Mathematics) Test.

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Grant the Commissioner the authority to contract with the Wisconsin Center for Education Products and Service for an alignment study with the NeSA-AAM, the alternate mathematics test.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

One of the technical requirements of test development is to ensure that the test items adequately align with and measure the standards. This is a step generally taken either before or just after the first administration of the test. The NDE is contracting with the Wisconsin Center to conduct that alignment to assure sufficient alignment and coverage of the NeSA-AAM items with Nebraska's extended standards for students with severe cognitive disabilities.

Cost: Up to \$26,338 – Federal (Special Education Funds)

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