



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

FROM: Marilyn Peterson, Administrator, Data Systems and Federal Programs

SUBJECT: English Language Development Assessment (ELDA)

Proposed Board Action:

Grant the Commissioner authority to continue to purchase the English Language Development Assessment (ELDA) for the English Language Learners

Background Information:

Section 6111 of NCLB authorizes the use of NCLB State assessment funds to provide the academic assessment of English Language Proficiency in reading, writing, speaking and listening for all students with Limited English proficiency (LEP) as required under Section 3112 (Title III). Nebraska has earmarked \$350,000 of the NCLB State assessment funds to cover this testing for LEP students for the 2011-12 school year. The increase in costs from the previous year is due to more English Language Learners students in 2011-12 (21,489).

Estimated Cost:

The estimated costs are \$350,000. NCLB Assessment funds are used for ELDA costs.

Supporting Documentation Included:

For Additional Information on this item:

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