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SUBJECT: Overview of Proposed Revisions to Rule 10

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Report only.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Rule 10 (*Regulations and Procedures for the Accreditation of Schools*) establishes the baseline that all public schools must meet for legal operation. This report will address changes and additions needed within Rule 10, providing a brief overview of the potential revisions, additions, and deletions.

Rule 10 contains regulations and procedures related to:

- Statutory requirements for legal operation of accredited school systems
- Curriculum and Standards (the instructional program requirements K-12)
- Assessment, accountability, and reporting
- Media and Technology resources
- High school graduation requirements
- Staff requirements (instructional and administrative)
- School Improvement
- School environment

The link to the current Rule 10 is: http://www.education.ne.gov/LEGAL/webrulespdf/Rule%2010-clean_2010.pdf

Estimated Cost

Supporting Documentation Included: [Revision Overview](#)

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Rule 10
(Regulations and Procedures for the Accreditation of Schools)

Overview of Suggested Revisions

September 2011

Section	Topic	Possible Revisions
003.08	Reports	Report headings are changed, due to NSSRS
004.01B	Curriculum and Standards	Science Standards have been adopted, requiring insertion of the date
004.02	Elementary Curriculum	Quality Indicator is revised to reflect grade level expectation
004.02B	Kindergarten Entrance	New statute requires adjustment in dates
004.02C And 004.03C	Middle Grade Athletics	Adjustments to address equity and opportunity among school systems
004.04C4	Biennial Courses	Updated to reflect revision of State statute
005	Accountability	Revision necessary to reflect statute change
007.06A – 007.06A2	Evaluation of Certificated Employees	Updates necessary to reflect current statute
009.01A	School Improvement	Alignment correction, Strike G, change to F. Add emphasis to “continuous” school improvement and professional development plans
011	School Environment	Update to include reference to (a) bullying and (b) seclusion and restraints
013.01A	Waivers	Align, as necessary, with revisions to middle grade athletics