



INDIANA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

MEMORANDUM

To: Indiana State Board of Education
From: Brian Murphy
Date: October 6, 2015
RE: Initiation of Rulemaking to Define Grade 10 for the Graduation Examination

Recommendation: Approve the initiation of rulemaking.

SBOE staff believes that changes regarding the graduation exam will require a definition of grade 10. This must be accomplished through rulemaking.¹ The SBOE will not be approving any language at this meeting, just permission to begin the rulemaking process. The process will then proceed as follows:

- Staff will file initial paperwork with LSA to let them know we have approval from the SBOE to begin the rulemaking process.
- Staff will present a Proposed Rule to the SBOE for adoption at a later meeting.
- Once a Proposed Rule is adopted by the SBOE, it will be published for public comment, and a public hearing will be held.
- The SBOE will then adopt a Final Rule based on public comments and any recommended technical changes from staff.

¹ There was a prior SBOE rule that defined grade 10 for the grad exam, but it was repealed once Indiana moved to using ECAs.