



INDIANA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

September 4, 2019

Resolution Regarding the Release of School Letter Grades for the 2018-19 School Year

WHEREAS, the Indiana State Board of Education (“SBOE”) is required to assign school letter grades once annually pursuant to IC 20-31-8-4; and

WHEREAS, due to the transition from the Indiana Statewide Testing for Educational Progress (“ISTEP+”) assessment to the Indiana Learning Evaluation Assessment Readiness Network (“ILEARN”), student performance across the state was lower; and

WHEREAS, on August 26, 2019, Governor Eric Holcomb called for, and leadership from the Indiana General Assembly (“IGA”) expressed support for, holding schools harmless so the ILEARN scores do not have an adverse impact on teacher evaluations and schools’ letter grades for the 2018-19 school year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the SBOE will refrain from assigning school letter grades for the 2018-19 school year until the appropriate actions have been taken to hold schools and teachers harmless; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, once the appropriate actions have been taken, the SBOE will hold a special meeting to assign school letter grades.