

Is Washington State Ready to Seek a Waiver From the Elementary and Secondary Education Act?

Adoption of College and Career-Ready Standards

- ✓ Involved in Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium
- ✓ Adoption of the Common Core State Standards



Is Washington Ready
for a NCLB Waiver?

Teacher and Principal Evaluation

- ✓ Pilot evaluation is a good start, but Washington would need to:
- ✗ Use student growth as a significant factor
- ✗ Use data as a factor in personnel decisions.



State-Developed Differentiated Systems of Recognition, Accountability, and Support

- ✓ Achievement Index is a good start, but Washington would need to:
- ✗ Refine the Achievement Index and include student growth
- ✗ Develop a methodology to identify and support lowest performing schools (also required by SB 6696)
- ✗ Set annual measurable objectives in at least reading and mathematics



Reduce Duplication and Unnecessary Burden of Reporting

- ✓ Washington has recently reviewed reporting requirements per state law
- ✗ Washington would need to develop an outreach strategy to include diverse stakeholders

