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Subject: Draft Birth to Kindergarten Statewide Curriculum Proposal

To: B2K Statewide Curriculum Development Committee Members

I have attached a copy of the draft proposal for the birth to kindergarten statewide curriculum that addresses the format required for new degrees to be approved by the Governing Boards and the Board of Regents. I have used information discussed during our meetings over the last four years to develop the proposal. You will see in the proposal that each campus that wants to use the statewide curriculum will be required to complete Appendix B. This is a draft proposal and will continue to undergo changes until the proposal is finalized. Your input is welcomed.

Today I will be sending a memo to all campus chief academic officers at two- and four-year colleges and all college of education deans/directors at four year colleges. I will be asking institutions to submit a form to me by October 9 to indicate if they are planning to offer courses or degrees using the statewide curriculum and to identify a contact person for their campus. I will also be sending them a copy of the first three syllabi and making them aware that draft syllabi have been created for the other birth to kindergarten courses. I will cc all of you when I send the memo to the campuses.

Once we know who plans to offer the courses and degrees, we will convene a contact person identified by each participating institution and identify a process for participating campus faculty to provide input into the final development of the proposal, courses syllabi, and a quality assurance system. We would like to accomplish the following timelines. We would like to have the following ready for submission to the Governing Boards by December 31, 2015: 1) final statewide proposal, 2) Appendix B for each participating institution, 3) LDOE documents for each participating, and 4) campus approval. The documents could then undergo review/approval by the Governing Boards for submission to the BoR during early 2016. The documents could undergo review by the LDOE, BoR, and national experts during spring 2016. Final approval could occur by the Board of Regents by late spring or early summer 2016.

We have not yet been provided information from the Louisiana Department of Education regarding information that will need to be submitted for approval of the degrees. Once we have the information, we will make sure that we are addressing their requirements.

Thank you for all of your efforts to get us this far. We will continue to keep you informed about the work as we move into the final stage of the statewide proposal, syllabi, and quality assurance system development and submission to the Governing Boards and Board of Regents.

Please contact me if you have any questions or would like to provide feedback.

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