Iowa State Board of Education

Executive Summary

August 1, 2013

Agenda Item: Next Steps – Improving Teacher and Leader Preparation

Iowa Goal: All PK-12 students will achieve at a high level.

State Board Role/Authority: Iowa Code section 256.7(3) and Iowa Administrative Code 281-79.5 grant authority to the State Board of Education to set standards and approve practitioner preparation programs based on those standards.

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Attachments: None

Recommendation: It is recommended that the State Board hear and discuss this information.

Background: On May 9, 2013, the State Board directed the Iowa Department of Education to make improvements to the standards and process of accreditation and accountability for teacher and leader preparation programs in Iowa. This presentation is to provide an update on this work for the Board.