Iowa State Board of Education

Executive Summary

May 13, 2010

Agenda Item: Innovation in Van Meter Community Schools

Iowa Goals: All K-12 students will achieve at a high level.

Equity Impact Statement: Van Meter Schools are working to empower and prepare all of their students to “Think, Lead and Serve.”

Presenters: John Carver, Superintendent
Jen Sigrist, Curriculum Director
Deron Durflinger, Secondary Principal
Shannon Miller, K-12 Teacher Librarian
Teachers and Students

Attachments: None

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

Background: One of the policy development priorities identified by the State Board of Education is “Innovation.” As part of this priority, the Board has expressed a desire to identify and showcase innovative educational practices in Iowa.

Van Meter is implementing a 1 to 1 laptop program at the secondary level. During this session Van Meter will discuss and demonstrate how they are transforming teaching and learning in the District.