

MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA ITEM:**December 2014****REPORT ON AUTOMATED CERTIFICATION SYSTEM****STATUTORY AUTHORITY:**

Section 168.021, RSMo

Consent
ItemAction
ItemReport
Item**DEPARTMENT GOAL NO. 3:**

Missouri will prepare, develop, and support effective educators.

DEPARTMENT GOAL NO. 4:

The Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education will improve departmental efficiency and operational effectiveness.

SUMMARY:

The Office of Educator Quality is responsible for the certification of all teachers, administrators, student service personnel, career-technical instructors, and substitute teachers. The Educator Certification System went online June 1, 2011. This system allows all applications for certification to be processed electronically. An update on how the Educator Certification System has decreased the processing time of certificate applications will be provided.

PRESENTER(S):

Dr. Paul Katnik, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Educator Quality, and Margery Tanner, Director, Office of Educator Quality, will assist with the presentation and discussion of this agenda item.



OFFICE OF EDUCATOR QUALITY

Report on Automated Certification System

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Missouri Department
of Elementary and Secondary Education

Top 10 by 20 Goals

- ❑ **Goal #3** – Missouri will prepare, develop, and support effective educators.
- ❑ **Goal #4** – The Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education will improve departmental efficiency and operational effectiveness.



Educator Certification

- Staff of 12
- Issue certificates
- Process background check clearances
- Technical assistance & support for educators, districts, and universities



Educator Certification System

- Opened June 2011
- Applications submitted electronically
- Streamlined certification process for educators, districts & universities
- Current processing time under 24 hours



Certification Processes

FY2014:

- Certificates Issued = 40,646
- Background check clearances = 40,000

Since the Educator Certification System opened in 2011:

- Certificates Issued = 136,740
- Background Check Clearances = 160,000



Assistance & Support

- 48,000 phone calls
- 12,000 email inquiries
- Certification webpage = most hits on DESE website



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