

OFFICE OF CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
September 18-19, 2014

OFFICE OF STUDENT ASSESSMENT

13. Approval of revised methodology to award discretionary grant funds to school districts to provide partial funding for a universal reading screener in grades 1-3 and / or progress monitoring resources in grades K-3

Purpose: To assist school districts in purchasing a MDE approved universal screener in grades 1-3 and progress monitoring resources in grades K-3.

Eligibility: Districts will be eligible to receive a pro-rated amount per student. The annual pro-rated amount will be based upon enrollment in grades K-3 as of October 1st of the current school year. Given that MDE provides a K-3 universal screener for literacy target schools, the enrollment for those schools will be excluded from the overall district enrollment for grant submission purposes. School districts must administer the screeners in accordance with the recommended program's protocol and submit the baseline data along with performance levels to the Office of Student Assessment prior to receiving funds.

Funding Source: State funds (contingent upon availability)

Basis for Awarding Grants: Discretionary

Recommendation: Approval