ARIZONA READY EDUCATION COUNCIL
GRADUATION RATE TASKFORCE
SUBCOMMITTEE
April 9, 2014 @ 1:00 p.m.
3rd Floor GOEI Conference Room
Executive Tower
1700 W. Washington
Phoenix, AZ 85007

AGENDA

The Arizona Ready Education Council (Council) Graduation Rate Taskforce will discuss and may take action on the following matters. Members will attend either in person or by telephone conference call. Public comment will be taken. The public will be allotted three minutes each to address the Taskforce during the Call to the Public section of the agenda.

Vision: By 2020, Arizona will be home to the best students and the best schools in the nation.

Mission: To monitor progress towards Arizona's rigorous education goals and determine if reform strategies are improving student learning, and to ensure the fidelity of implementation of Arizona Ready.

Goals:

- Increase the percentage of third graders meeting state reading standards to 94% in 2020 from 70% in 2010; and
- Improve the percentage of eighth graders achieving at or above basic on the National Assessment of Education Progress (NAEP) to 85% in 2020 from 67% in math and 68% in reading in 2010; and
- Raise the high school graduation rate to 93% by 2020, from 76% in 2009, ensuring that all graduates are college and career ready.*; and
  - *College and Career Ready is defined as entering college without needing remediation or entering the workforce with a job that has advancement potential
- By 2020, increase the number of community college students earning associate degrees and/or certificates to 44,000 and the number of in-state university transfers to 12,500*; and
  - *Efforts to improve transfer and degree/certificate completion at Arizona's community colleges take place within the context of the institutions' open-access missions and the diverse educational and professional goals of their student bodies.
- Double the number of students receiving baccalaureate degrees to 36,000 per year.

1. **Call to Order, Welcome, & Introductions**

   Meeting Objectives:
   Update and Review GRTF Final Report

   ACTION: Take attendance.

   ACTION: Move to approve minutes from previous meeting.

2. **Discussion: Update and Review GRTF Final Report**

3. **Adjourn**

   ACTION: Move to adjourn.

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