Dear Educational Leaders -

The task force charged with reviewing, clarifying, and proposing changes to the Minimum Standards for Public School Approval (ED 306) has delivered its recommendations to Commissioner Edelblut. The task force has worked diligently since January 2021, with the goal of updating the Minimum Standards in a manner benefiting New Hampshire's students. The primary focus of the task force's work was to enhance and further embed competency-based learning within the Minimum Standards. The proposed changes were developed through a truly collaborative effort involving education and school leaders, business leaders, and the Department.

The task force recognizes that these recommendations do not necessarily reflect each individual member's views with respect to the entire draft proposal. However, these recommendations are the result of sustained consideration by the entire committee. The task force fully recognizes that there will be many questions and various reactions to both the task force's proposal, as well as the version that is ultimately introduced by the State Board. It is the task force's desire that all stakeholders recognize the significant work, compromise and deliberation that went into developing these proposed changes.

Moving forward, the task force will begin engaging with various professional organizations and stakeholders to solicit open, honest and constructive feedback. Just as the task force's initial proposal is a continuous working document, the task force welcomes your comments to further enhance and better the Minimum Standards.

The task force plans to meet with various stakeholder groups, either in person or virtually, in September and October. Of course, the task force will welcome any feedback it receives in the meantime, over the summer. In order to plan accordingly, the task force asks that the professional organizations reply to Fred Bramante of National Center for Competency-Based Learning (NCCBL) at fbramante@nccbl.org by Friday August 19, 2022 if they wish to have a Zoom meeting with the task force to review the proposed changes to Ed 306. Additionally, comments and questions from the professional organizations may also be forwarded to Mr. Bramante in the interim.

The 306 task force looks forward to hearing from you.

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