

**WEBSTER GROVES SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION ITEM OF CONSIDERATION**

DATE: September 26, 2016

TOPIC/PROPOSAL:

Modification of the 2nd Grade Science Curriculum Learning Goals

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

At the beginning of the 2016-2017 school year, district staff starting implementing the new science curriculum and learning goals for grades K-8. Through the course of implementing the new curriculum and aligning resources, it was found that one of the learning goals previously set for 2nd grade should be eliminated because it is covered in grades Kdg, 3rd, 4th, and 5th. This goal should also be removed from the district K-5 Progress Report.

INSTRUCTIONAL IMPACT/RATIONALE:

The revised 2nd Grade Science Curriculum Learning Goals will be more efficiently aligned to the Missouri Learning Standards and Next Generation Science Standards. The goal eliminated from 2nd grade is previously covered in kindergarten, and will be covered in 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade.

Eliminate 2nd grade goal – “Defining the system under study – specifying its boundaries and making explicit a model of that system – provides tools for understanding and testing ideas that are applicable throughout science and engineering.”

CSIP/DISTRICT GOAL ADDRESSED:

* WGSD will personalize learning for all students to increase engagement and rigor resulting in improved student achievement.

*WGSD will make a positive impact on the world by being a model for teaching, learning and practicing sustainability.

FISCAL NOTE:

None

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

- Action Requested: X
- Information:
- Proposed Motion for Approval (if applicable):

PREPARED BY: Kristin Denbow

Motion: _____ Second: _____

Board Vote: (yes) (no) (abstain) (Consent Agenda)