

**To: Members of the State Board of
Education & Early Development**

December 8, 2022

From: Heidi Teshner, Acting Commissioner

Agenda Item: 2

◆ ISSUE

The board is being asked to provide feedback and input on a recommendation from the Teacher Recruitment and Retention (TRR) workgroup for the department to consider a Competency-based Apprenticeship program as a possible project to support alternative pathways to certification.

◆ BACKGROUND

- The Competency-based Apprenticeship program is a recommendation that has arisen from the TRR workgroup focused on alternate pathways to certification. The recommendation has arisen from exploration of the Tennessee teacher apprenticeship model that has been able to make use of federal funding from the Department of Labor to support apprenticeship costs.
- The board will hear an update on what the TRR workgroup has found from research into apprenticeship and share recommendations for what next steps might be required to explore this option for Alaska.
- Behind this cover memo is the Alaska Apprenticeship Model Packet to aid in further development of a program.
- Dr. Barbara Adams, Consultant, Adams Analytic Solutions, and Jerry Covey, Consultant, JSC Consulting, LLC, will be present to brief the board.

◆ OPTIONS

This is an informational item. No action is required.