

Agenda Item: II. B.

DATE: July 20, 2016

SUBJECT: Tennessee's Transcript Exchange

ACTION RECOMMENDED: Information

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Through Tennessee's Electronic Transcript Exchange Network, managed by the Office of P-16 Initiatives in partnership with the National Student Clearinghouse, high schools, school districts, and postsecondary institutions can securely send and receive transcripts. Transcript data are delivered in minutes to any participating Tennessee college, e*GRandS for Tennessee Education Lottery Scholarship eligibility, and other third parties. The transcript exchange expedites the college admissions and scholarship application processes, and gives students an easy way to access their transcript data.

To date, 221 schools have signed up to participate in the exchange. Data extract solutions have been developed for most student information system vendors used by Tennessee high schools to insure the smooth transmission of data. Office of P-16 Initiatives staff have worked with the e*GRandS team to ensure student data is processed efficiently. So far this summer, schools have successfully uploaded nearly 10,000 student records into e*GRandS via the Electronic Transcript Exchange Network.

The Tennessee Electronic Transcript Exchange Network is funded using Tennessee Education Lottery Scholarships funds. Staff will provide an overview of the new transcript system with particular emphasis placed on next steps in implementation and the anticipated efficiencies for both K-12 and higher education sectors.