



**WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Work Session**

**PRECIS**

**SUBJECT/TOPIC**

READ TO ACHIEVE PORTFOLIO UPDATE

**DEPARTMENT, BOARD/STAFF LIAISON(S), AND ANY PRESENTERS FROM  
OUTSIDE THE DISTRICT**

Dr. Todd Wirt, Assistant Superintendent for Academics  
James Overman, Senior Director for Elementary Programs  
Sherri Miller, Director of K-12 Literacy

**BACKGROUND**

On January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014, Dr. June Atkinson sent a letter to all superintendents in the state outlining a series of options that could be used as “good cause exemptions” for students under the requirements of Read to Achieve. As a result of receiving these options, we solicited feedback from both principals and teachers specifically in our year-round elementary schools who were well into the implementation of the Read to Achieve portfolio passage process. We have drafted preliminary recommendations to change our original implementation plan that are aligned to the new options as well as the feedback received from our employees. We would like to present these recommendations to the board for feedback prior to providing official recommendations to our schools.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

N/A

**SAVINGS**

Possible savings in the area of printing of portfolio passages and the number of students attending summer reading camps.

**NEXT STEPS / RECOMMENDATIONS**

Board feedback requested prior to making recommendations official

