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ESSA State Plan: Recommendation Form

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Question(s) being considered: Should Vermont adopt the ESSA definition of a “well-rounded education”?		
What ESSA requirements need to be met?: ESSA describes a well-rounded education as meaning “...courses, activities, and programming in subjects such as English, reading or language arts, writing, science, technology, engineering, mathematics, foreign languages, civics and government, economics, arts, history, geography, computer science, music, career and technical education, health, physical education, and any other subject, as determined by the State or local educational agency, with the purpose of providing all students access to an enriched curriculum and educational experience.”		
Solution being proposed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vermont’s definition of a well-rounded education is EQS Rule 2120.5, which describes Vermont’s Curriculum Content Areas, and is in alignment with ESSA. 		
Rationale: Explain why your proposal supports each decision logic element below: <i>Equity:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rule 2120.5 emphasizes the importance of providing all students with an access to an enriched curriculum, and a wide range of subject areas. <i>Alignment with current VT policy and practice:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This solution reflects a continuation of current practice, under Vermont’s Education Quality Standards (EQS). <i>Efficiency (streamlining processes, eliminating duplicative systems or requirements):</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This solution would not create a duplicative system or process. <i>Possibility (implementation feasibility for the AOE and impacted stakeholders):</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This solution would create no additional implementation burden for the state or LEAs. 		
Identify any known or potential risks associated with your proposed solution: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are no risks associated with this approach. 		
What are the expected benefits associated with your proposed solution?: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continuation of Vermont policy, priorities, and practice, in alignment with ESSA 		
Secretary’s Decision	Date: 9/23/16	Initials: 
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Confirm recommendation of ESSA State Plan Management Team <input type="checkbox"/> Reject recommendation of ESSA State Plan Management Team and offer the following as an alternative:		