

STATE DOCUMENT



EXECUTIVE ORDER #305

Relating to the Creation of the Governor's Commission on Teaching in the 21st Century

WHEREAS, Wisconsin school districts are investing in educational technology to improve the academic achievements of students; and

WHEREAS, realizing the benefits of these investments requires that teachers in Wisconsin be prepared to use educational technology in their classrooms; and

WHEREAS, teachers graduating from schools of education are not adequately prepared to effectively use educational technology; and

WHEREAS, linking professional development in technology to teacher licensure will provide teachers with the skills and knowledge necessary to integrate technology into education; and

WHEREAS, there is a compelling need for all Wisconsin students to achieve at high levels in academics for Wisconsin's strong economy and high quality of life to be maintained in the 21st century and beyond;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TOMMY G. THOMPSON, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of this State, and specifically by Section 14.019 of the Wisconsin Statutes, do hereby:

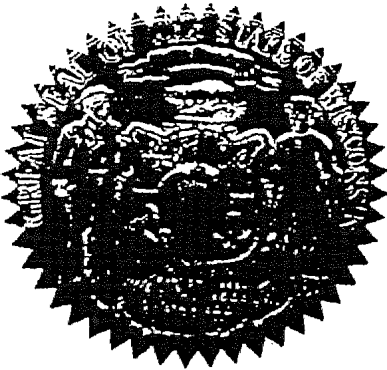
1. Establish the Governor's Commission on Teaching in the 21st Century (hereinafter "Commission").
2. Provide that the Commission shall be composed of the following nine (9) members who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor:
 - a. the Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Administration;
 - b. the President of the University of Wisconsin System;
 - c. the State Superintendent of Public Instruction;
 - d. the Director of the Wisconsin Technical College System;
 - e. a teacher;
 - f. a professor of education;
 - g. a school board member;
 - h. a school district administrator;
 - i. a public member.
3. Provide that the Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Administration shall be the Chair of the Commission.

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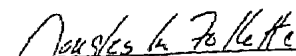
4. Provide that the Commission shall have the following purpose and mission:
 - a. to develop and recommend a strategy to integrate educational technology into the instruction of Wisconsin's students from kindergarten through twelfth grade;
 - b. to develop and recommend educational technology competence standards for teachers trained by the University of Wisconsin System;
 - c. to develop and recommend educational technology competence standards for teachers licensed by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.
5. Require the Commission to submit a report on its recommendations to the Governor by June 1, 1997.
6. Direct the Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Administration to provide the Commission with such sums of money as are necessary for travel and operating expenses in accordance with Section 20.505 (3)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes.
7. Provide that the Commission shall dissolve when its report is accepted by the Governor.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this seventeenth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-seven.


TOMMY G. THOMPSON
Governor

By the Governor:


DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State