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**Consent Agenda Item (Action Item):** Designate the Blackboard Learning Management System as an approved, traceable communication platform for use by Floyd County Schools Dual Credit and Early College Academy students.

**Applicable State or Regulations:** 01.11 General Powers and duties of the Board of Education

**Fiscal/Budgetary Impact:** No funding necessary

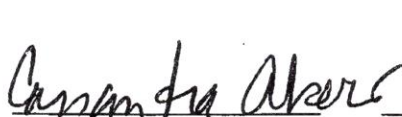
**History/Background:** Senate Bill 181 requires the use of district-approved, traceable communication systems for electronic communication between school staff, volunteers and students be identified and utilized.


1. Teachers within our high schools that teach dual credit courses are required by the sponsoring, credit awarding universities to utilize their LMS system to teach the classes.
2. Students enrolled in dual credit courses within our high schools are required by the credit awarding universities to use their LMS of choice to participate and receive credit in the courses taken.
3. Students attending the Floyd County Early College Academy are required to use the sponsoring university's LMS of choice in order to receive credit

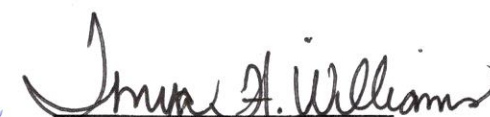
Universities that are sponsoring and awarding credits to our successful students are utilizing the Blackboard LMS.

**Recommended Action:** . As SB 181 requires district approval – we ask that you approve the use of Blackboard by our Dual Credit and Early College Academy students

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