

# Washington Learns

## Work Plan Overview

October 19, 2005

SeaTac, WA

# This workplan focuses on...

- Key deliverables:
  - In Early Learning
  - In K-12 Education
  - In Higher Education
- Timeline
- Contracted research
- Month-by-month plan

# Early Learning

## Deliverables (November 2005)

1. Provide oversight and governance options
2. Identify quality rating and tiered reimbursement design options

# Early Learning

## Deliverables (November 2006)

3. Develop a plan addressing:
  - Populations to be served
  - Funding
  - Transitions and readiness

# K-12 Education

## Deliverables

1. Identify **K-12 finance** options that address funding adequacy, efficiency and effectiveness, and include special education, bilingual, and regional differences
2. Identify **K-12 compensation** options that recognize educator skills and knowledge development and student achievement

# K-12 Education

## Deliverables (cont.)

3. Develop program options to:
  - Assist students in **meeting standards** and staying in school
  - Improve instruction for **English language learners**
  - Advance teacher **certification** and **preparation** of paraeducators

# Higher Education Deliverables

1. Provide options for a new **funding** system that:
  - Determines appropriate cost sharing (tuition, financial aid and state appropriations)
  - Identifies cost of instruction for various programs
  - Coordinates operating and capital budget processes

# Higher Education

## Deliverables (cont.)

2. Create an **enrollment** plan that:
  - Meets demographic and workforce needs
  - Increases baccalaureate degree opportunities
  - Uses existing capacity in private institutions
3. Identify ways to **improve transitions** from high school to college and from 2-year to 4-year institutions
4. Encourage **research** that stimulates the economy and addresses social issues

# Timeline

November 15, 2005: Interim Report

June 16, 2006: Interim Report

November 15, 2006: **Final Report**

# Meetings Scheduled

before **November 2005** interim report

## Advisory Committees

- October 19 (All 3)
- November 8 (EL)

## Steering Committee

- October 10
- **November 14**



# Meetings Scheduled

before **June 2006** interim report

## Advisory Committees

- November 29 (K-12/HE)
- December 13 (EL)
- December 19 (K-12/HE)
- January 24 (All 3)
- February 21 (All 3)
- March 23 (All 3)
- April 18 (All 3)
- May 23 (All 3)

## Steering Committee

- December 16
- January 12
- February 13
- March 13
- April 10
- May 15
- **June 14**



# Meetings Scheduled

before **November 2006** final report

## Advisory Committees

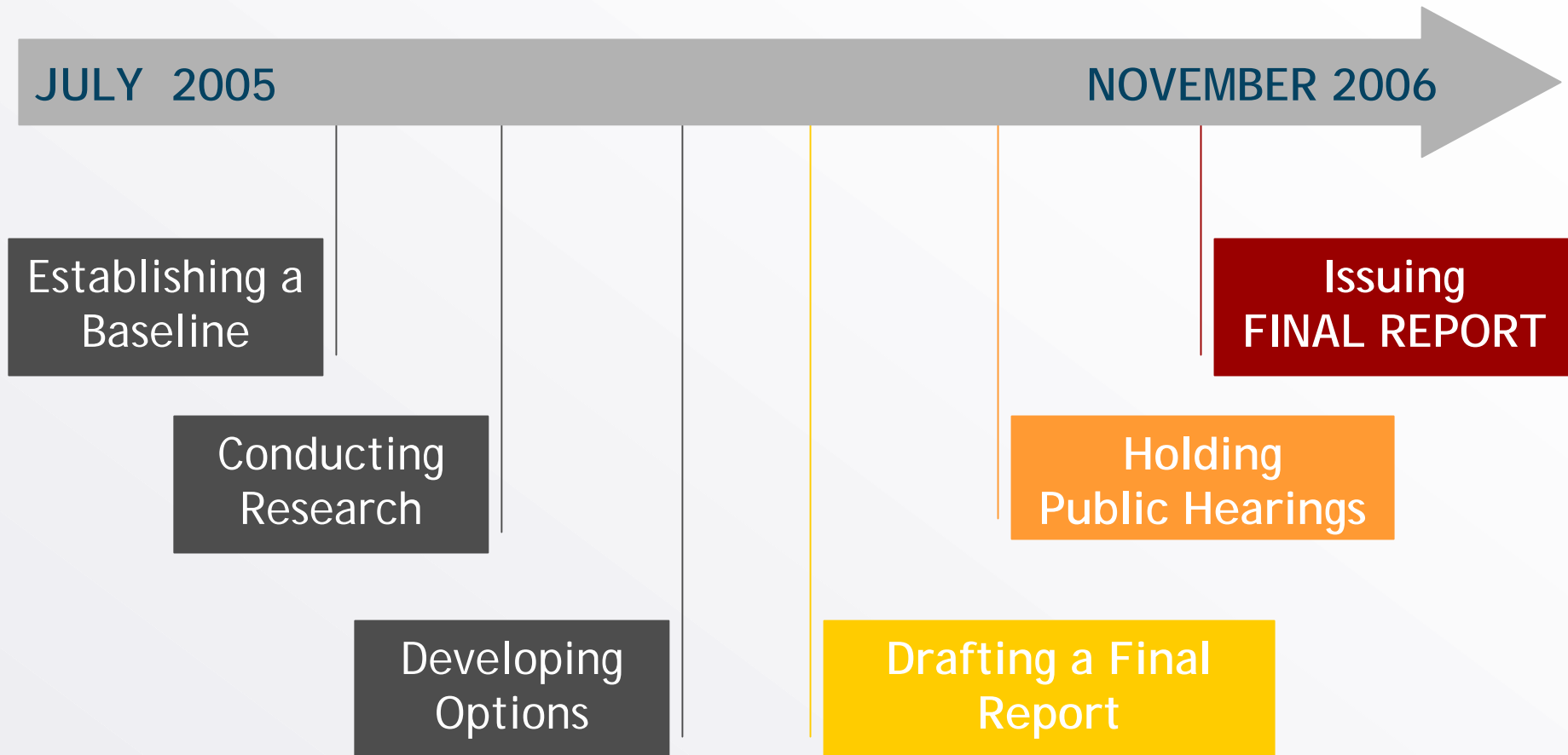
- June 28 (All 3)
- July 18 (All 3)
- August 22 (All 3)
- September 19 (All 3)
- October 17 (All 3)

## Steering Committee

- July 10
- August 7
- September 12
- October 9
- **November 13**



# Timeline



# Current Contracted Research

1. Public opinion review
  - Final report delivered **November 14, 2005**
  
2. K-12 efficiency and adequacy analysis
  - Drafts presented to advisory and steering committees in July and August, 2005
  - RFP issued September 30, 2005
  - Final report due **August 11, 2006**

# Additional Contracted Research

3. K-12 five-state study (early 2006)
4. Higher education enrollment and finance issues (July 2006)
  - Size and shape of higher education and training system to meet workforce and demographic needs
  - Options for a funding system to meet state goals
5. Early learning issues (summer 2006)
  - Specific topics currently under discussion
6. Long-term cost/benefit analysis of education investments (late summer 2006)

# Month-by-Month Plan

- We have a tight timeline that requires a focused, iterative process:
  - Advisory committees address issues and report to the steering committee
  - The steering committee discusses issues and provides feedback and additional direction to the advisory committees
- Please refer to the **work plan handout** for topics to be covered each month.