- RCW 28A.655.010 Washington commission on student learning—Definitions. Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout RCW \*28A.630.885 and 28A.300.130.
- (1) "Commission" means the commission on student learning created in \*RCW 28A.630.885.
- (2) "Student learning goals" mean[s] the goals established in RCW 28A.150.210.
- (3) "Essential academic learning requirements" means more specific academic and technical skills and knowledge, based on the student learning goals, as determined under \*RCW 28A.630.885(3)(a). Essential academic learning requirements shall not limit the instructional strategies used by schools or school districts or require the use of specific curriculum.
- (4) "Performance standards" or "standards" means the criteria used to determine if a student has successfully learned the specific knowledge or skill being assessed as determined under \*RCW 28A.630.885(3)(b). The standards should be set at internationally competitive levels.
- (5) "Assessment system" or "student assessment system" means a series of assessments used to determine if students have successfully learned the essential academic learning requirements. The assessment system shall be developed under \*RCW 28A.630.885(3)(b).
- (6) "Performance-based education system" means an education system in which a significantly greater emphasis is placed on how well students are learning, and significantly less emphasis is placed on state-level laws and rules that dictate how instruction is to be provided. The performance-based education system does not require that schools use an outcome-based instructional model. Decisions regarding how instruction is provided are to be made, to the greatest extent possible, by schools and school districts, not by the state. [1993 c 336 s 201. Formerly RCW 28A.630.883.]

\*Reviser's note: RCW 28A.630.885 was recodified as RCW 28A.655.060 pursuant to 1999 c 388 s 607. RCW 28A.655.060 was subsequently repealed by 2004 c 19 s 206.

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