

**WASHINGTON STATE
WORKFORCE TRAINING AND EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD
MEETING NO. 157
SEPTEMBER 22, 2011**

MICROSOFT INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ACADEMY

Background:

The 2011 Legislature appropriated \$2 million for FY 2012 and \$2 million for FY 2013 to the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) for a statewide Information Technology (IT) Academy program sponsored by Microsoft. This public-private partnership will provide educational software, as well as IT certification and software training opportunities for students and staff in public schools throughout Washington.

At the meeting, Superintendent Randy Dorn and Kathleen Lopp from OSPI and Keith Loeber from Microsoft will inform the Board about the IT Academy.

Board Action Required: None. For information only.