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Warner to Meet with Education Leaders in Nation's Capital

PIERRE, S.D. – The executive director and CEO of the South Dakota Board of Regents will meet this week with U.S. Education Secretary Arne Duncan and other education leaders to discuss state-level efforts aimed at raising K-12 education standards and assessments.

Jack Warner was invited to Friday's meeting in the nation's capital in part because of the work underway in South Dakota. "The goal is to better prepare students to succeed in college and career," said Warner. "Nearly every state is raising the standards it expects K-12 students to achieve. I am pleased to meet with Secretary Duncan to discuss the role higher education plays to prepare our students for their future."

Warner said more rigorous education standards and assessments will provide better prepared students, reduce rates of remediation, and offer better information to those students, their families, their schools, and to colleges and universities.

He joins other education leaders from Illinois, Massachusetts, Wyoming, Idaho, Louisiana, and California at Friday's meeting to discuss with Duncan the next steps higher education must take as assessments, which are aligned to new K-12 standards, are implemented.