Notice of Public Comment

Nevada Department of Education (NDE)

Title IV-B Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) Request for Waiver

October 5, 2020

This is a public notice for the following waiver request from the Nevada Department of Education (NDE) to the Federal Department of Education (DOE).

NDE plans to submit a waiver request of section 4201(b)(1)(A) for the Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) based on section 8401 [20 U.S.C. 7861] of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, as reauthorized by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) in 2015. NDE is requesting to waive the definition of Community Learning Center(s) for implementation of services during “nonschool hours or periods when school is not in session (such as before and after school or during summer recess)” per section 4201(b)(1)(A) [20 U.S.C. 7171] for 21st CCLC programs in school year 2020-2021.

The approval of this waiver request will allow Nevada’s 21st Century Community Learning Centers to increase academic tutoring and enrichment supports for students and families who are currently learning through distance education platforms during the 2020-2021 school year. The 21st CCLC program will be able to provide additional supports to students in low performing schools aligned to various models such as onsite, virtual and hybrid structures, currently being provided under the varying school day models, as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Please submit public comment to TeQuia Barrett at tbarrett@doe.nv.gov or Kristen Mokofisi at kmokofisi@doe.nv.gov. Public comment will be accepted for seven days following the date of release of this notification.