

NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
COMMISSION ON PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS IN EDUCATION
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31, 2021 – 9:00 AM

STATE OF EMERGENCY SPECIAL PUBLIC NOTICE

Due to the circumstances created by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Commission on Professional Standards in Education (“Commission”) will meet via videoconference. In accordance with Governor Sisolak’s [State of Emergency Directive 006](#), Section 1, and extended indefinitely by the [State of Emergency Directive 029](#), there will be no physical location designated for this meeting. The meeting will be livestreamed on the [Nevada Department of Education Website](#).

The public is hereby noticed that the Commission reserves the right to take agenda items out of posted order; items may be pulled or removed from the agenda at any time; and items may be combined for consideration. Members of the public may provide public comment in writing via email; public comment will be accepted via email for the duration of the meeting and shared with Commission members during the appropriate agenda items or during designated public comment periods. Public comment may be emailed to <mailto:jborges@doe.nv.gov>; members of the public are asked to indicate in the email subject line whether the comment is for Public Comment #1 or Public Comment #2.

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AGENDA

1. Call to Order; Roll Call; Pledge of Allegiance

2. Public Comment #1

Public Comment will be taken during this agenda item regarding any item appearing on the agenda. No action may be taken on a matter discussed under this item until the matter is included on an agenda as an item on which action may be taken. The secretary of the Commission on Professional Standards in Education will impose a time limit of three minutes. Public Comment #2 will provide an opportunity for public comment on any matter within the Commission’s jurisdiction, control or advisory power.

3. Commissioner Introductions

4. Approval of February 19, 2020 Minutes (*For possible action*)

5. Acting Secretary’s Report

- Jeff Briske, Director, Office of Educator Development, Licensure and Family Engagement

6. Alternative Route to Licensure program area adoption (*Information/Discussion/For possible action*)

The Commission will hear a report and recommendations from the Alternative Route to Licensure (ARL) review team regarding their review of iteachNevada’s request to add an additional program area of preparation in special education generalist and may approve or deny the ARL review team’s recommendations.

- Jeff Briske, Director, Office of Educator Development, Licensure and Family Engagement

7. Educational Testing Service (ETS) testing updates (*Information/Discussion*)

The Commission will hear a report regarding Praxis Tests at Home testing options and update. The Commission will also hear a report regarding Praxis regenerated tests in use in the State of Nevada.

- Jeff Briske, Director, Office of Educator Development, Licensure and Family Engagement
- Dr. Monica A. Beane, Educational Testing Service (ETS) Client Relations Director

**8. Educational Testing Service (ETS) new tests
(Information/Discussion/For possible action)**

The Commission will hear a report and recommendations of new tests available for consideration and possible adoption for use in the State of Nevada.

- Jeff Briske, Director, Office of Educator Development, Licensure and Family Engagement
- Dr. Monica A. Beane, Educational Testing Service (ETS) Client Relations Director

9. ETS test review findings and recommendations (Information/Discussion/For possible action)

The Commission will hear findings from the Commission requested review of the Reading Specialist subject area Praxis exam for consideration and possible adoption for use in the State of Nevada.

- Jeff Briske, Director, Office of Educator Development, Licensure and Family Engagement
- Dr. Monica A. Beane, Educational Testing Service (ETS) Client Relations Director

9:00 AM

10. Public Hearing and Possible Adoption of Proposed Amendments to R026-20: NAC 391.202 Endorsement to teach computer technology-based applications and computational thinking ([NRS 391.019](#)); NAC 391.237 Endorsement to teach English language acquisition and development; endorsement as professional teacher of English as second language; endorsement as specialist in English language acquisition and development ([NRS 385.080](#), [391.019](#), [391.032](#)); NAC 391.253 Endorsement to teach pupils who are participating in the Jobs for America's Graduates program: Authorized activities; qualifications ([NRS 391.019](#)); NAC 391.461 Application for approval to become qualified provider; review; conditions of provisional approval; term of validity; renewal; approval to offer program for different area of licensure; annual evaluation ([NRS 391.019](#)); NAC 391.557 Requirements for application for approval of course; development and maintenance of manual by Department to provide assistance ([NRS 385.080](#), [391.019](#), [391.037](#), [391.038](#)) (Information/Discussion/For Possible Action)

- Jeff Briske, Director, Office of Educator Development, Licensure and Family Engagement
- Michael Arakawa, Program Officer III, Office of Educator Development, Licensure and Family Engagement

11. Public Hearing and Possible Adoption of Proposed Amendments to NAC 391.0896; Temporary regulation relating to education; allowing school districts having an enrollment of 9,000 pupils or more to employ emergency substitute teachers during a state of emergency declared pursuant to NRS 414.070

- Jeff Briske, Director, Office of Educator Development, Licensure and Family Engagement
- Michael Arakawa, Program Officer III, Office of Educator Development, Licensure and Family Engagement

12. Future Agenda Items (Information/Discussion)

13. Public Comment #2

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14. Adjournment