

COMPETENCY-BASED EDUCATION NETWORK

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Website – https://doe.nv.gov/Programs/Competency-Based_Education/

Agendas and Minutes:

- 2021 - https://doe.nv.gov/Boards_Commissions_Councils/CBE/Meeting_Materials/
- 2020 - https://doe.nv.gov/Boards_Commissions_Councils/CBE/2020/Meeting_Materials/
- 2019 - https://doe.nv.gov/Boards_Commissions_Councils/CBE/2019/Meeting_Materials/

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NETWORK MEMBERS

The Network consists of the following members:

- The principal of each school selected to participate in the pilot program established pursuant to [NRS 389.210](#);
- At least one teacher who teaches in each school selected to participate in the pilot program established pursuant to [NRS 389.210](#), selected by the principal of the school;
- The chancellor of the Nevada System of Higher Education or his or her designee;
- The chancellor of Western Governors University Nevada or his or her designee;
- One teacher who does not teach in a school selected to participate in the pilot program established pursuant to [NRS 389.210](#), selected by the Nevada State Education Association to represent the Association;
- One parent or guardian of a pupil who is enrolled in a school selected to participate in the pilot program established pursuant to [NRS 389.210](#), selected by the Nevada Parent Teacher Association to represent the Association; and
- One parent or guardian of a pupil who is not enrolled in a school selected to participate in the pilot program established pursuant to [NRS 389.210](#), selected by the Nevada Parent Teacher Association to represent the Association.

POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE NETWORK

The Network shall:

- Study approaches to converting requirements regarding the amount of time a pupil is required to spend in a classroom into competency measures;
- Study tools for use in personalized learning and competency-based education;
- Study approaches to ensure appropriate examinations are prescribed by the State Board of Education pursuant to [NRS 389.171](#);
- Study strategies for improving competency-based education through the use of technology;

- Study professional development relating to competency-based education and other support to assist educators in transitioning to a system of competency-based education;
- Provide support and share data and best practices among schools participating in the pilot program established pursuant to [NRS 389.210](#);
- Identify barriers and possible solutions to implementing a statewide system of competency-based education;
- Develop evidence-based recommendations for the continued implementation of a system of competency-based education; and
- On or before January 31 of every even-numbered year, submit a report to the governor and the Legislature on the implementation of a system of competency-based education in Nevada.

OPERATIONS OF THE NETWORK

- The Network shall initially meet at the call of the superintendent of public instruction. After the first meeting, the Network shall meet at the call of the chair;
- At the first meeting of the Network, the members shall elect a chair by majority vote;
- Nevada’s Department of Education shall provide the Network with such staff as is necessary to carry out the duties of the Network; and
- Members of the Network serve without compensation, and travel and per diem expenses may not be reimbursed.

BACKGROUND

LEGISLATION

2017—[Assembly Bill 110](#) (Chapter 509, *Statutes of Nevada*), sponsored by the Assembly Committee on Education and proposed by the Governor’s Competency-Based Education Task Force, required NDE to establish a pilot program for competency-based education and created the Competency-Based Education Network. The bill required participating schools to meet certain qualifications and take part in the Network. The bill also required NDE to conduct a public awareness campaign and meet with school district superintendents regarding competency-based education. In addition, AB 110 enabled a student to receive credit for a course of study without having to attend classes, if the student demonstrated proficiency through a portfolio, the performance of a designated task, or other criteria prescribed by the State Board of Education.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

No legislative histories for AB 110 have been compiled.

REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE

The Network is required to a report, on or before January 31 of every even-numbered year, to the governor and the Legislature on the implementation of a system of competency-based education in Nevada ([NRS 389.220](#)).

Records held by the Legislative Counsel Bureau

- *Nevada Competency-Based Education Network Bi-annual Report: 2020*, submitted by NDE:
 - https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Division/Research/Documents/RTTL_NRS389.220_2020.pdf
- Legislative Counsel Bureau Office of Research Background Paper 1977 No. 3: *Competency-Based Education*:
 - <https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Division/Research/Publications/Bkground/BP77-03.pdf>

REVIEW BY THE SUNSET SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION

The Sunset Subcommittee has not previously reviewed the Competency-Based Education Network.