

# NEPF Redesign Field Study Review June 25, 2025

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# **Presentation Purpose**

Review the Nevada Educator Performance Framework (NEPF) Redesign Field Study implementation for 2024-25 school year.

#### **Presentation Outcomes**

Provide an opportunity for the State Board of Education to review NEPF Redesign Field Study feedback and discuss implementation for the 2025-26 school year.



#### STIP Alignment – Target 2

The purpose of the Field Study aligns with **The Statewide Plan** for the Improvement of Pupils (STIP)

**Target 2:** Strengthen Educator Development, Retention, and Recruitment Efforts

Initiative 2B: Leverage Professional Development and Technical Assistance for All Educators





## **NEPF** Redesign Field Study Initiation

Approved by the State Board of Education (SBE) on June 12, 2024

Invitations sent to Clark (limited number of schools), Elko, Lincoln, and Washoe County School Districts, and the State Public Charter School Authority

Washoe County declined to participate and was replaced with Lyon County

Approximately 85 schools field tested the NEPF Redesign Rubrics and Tools for Teachers and School Administrators during the 2024-2025 school year

Introductory meetings took place to support school site leaders, who provided feedback throughout the school year

Workgroups were established in September 2024 to encourage discussion, feedback, and refinement of the NEPF Redesign for the 2025-2026 school year



#### **NEPF Redesign Summative Evaluation Tool Change**

#### What Stayed the Same

- Domain scoring percentages are not altered, so a change to NAC 391.571, 574 is not required
  - Instructional Practice Score = 65%
  - Professional ResponsibilitiesScore = 20%
  - Student Performance Domain= 15%
- Strengths/Areas of Growth and Educator Plan/Progress Notes
- Final Ratings: Highly Effective,
   Effective, Developing, Ineffective

#### **What Changed**

- Scoring formula changed to a 1-4 scale for each Standard instead of each indicator per Standard
- Concise view, eliminating extra verbiage, and consolidating pages (pages reduced from 24 to 11)
- Requirements for collected evidence shifted to two pieces per standard instead of two pieces per indicator





# NEPF Redesign Implementation Field Study 2024-25



#### **NEPF Redesign Field Study Participant Support**



Tools, Rubrics, and Related Documents to Support

NEPF Field Study Participants



# **NEPF Field Study Update 1**

Round 2 of workgroups (Principal Supervisors, Administrators, Teachers) took place the week of November 12th

Workgroup members shared feedback regarding recent implementation of the redesign materials

Members reviewed the redesigned rubrics and tools and gave suggestions for evidentiary requirements and performance level language

Members also consulted on a proposed survey for NEPF Field Study Participants to be shared with included schools in December



## **NEPF Field Study Update 2**

Round 3 of workgroups (Principal Supervisors, Administrators, Teachers) took place the week of February 11th

Members shared feedback regarding NEPF implementation of the redesign materials during the mid cycle review process and start of evaluations

Members reviewed survey data from the winter participant survey

Members reviewed the redesigned summative evaluation tools and provided feedback on the summative evaluation scoring system



#### **NEPF Field Study Update 3**



NEPF Liaisons met with the Teachers and Leaders Council (TLC) on March 31<sup>st</sup>, sharing District level perspective on NEPF implementation

Round 3 of workgroups took place the week of May 5<sup>th</sup>, with members provided insight into year 1 implementation

Field Study participants providing final feedback via the Annual NEPF Monitoring for Continuous Improvement Survey

NDE has shared progress with TLC throughout the school year and report it to the State Board of Education on June 25, 2025



#### Winter Participant Survey: Data Review

 The Field Study Participant Survey was shared with participating Local Education Agencies (LEA's) from December 2, 2024, to December 20, 2024.

Responses Total: 256

Teachers: 209

Administrators: 46

Principal Supervisors: 1





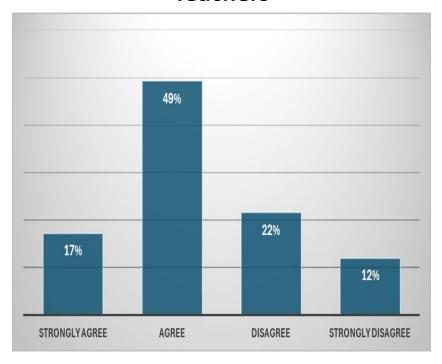
## **Survey Review: Improved Clarity**

Consolidation of the rubric pages improved clarity.

#### **Administrators**

# 33% 17% O% STRONGLY AGREE AGREE DISAGREE STRONGLY DISAGREE

#### **Teachers**

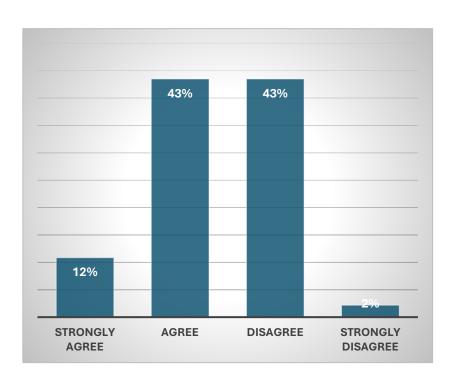




## **Survey Review: Growth and Understanding**

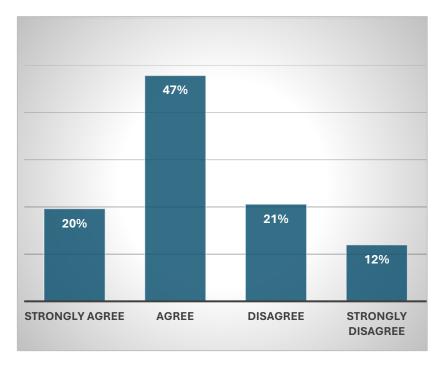
#### **Administrators:**

Teacher understanding of standards improved.



#### **Teachers:**

Descriptors were helpful in guiding professional growth.



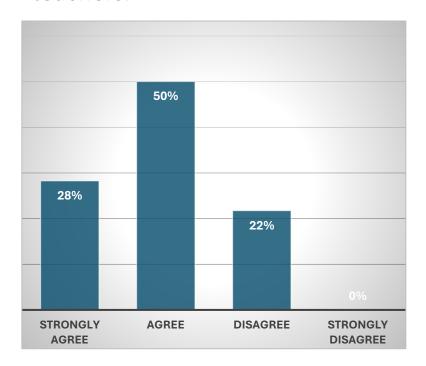


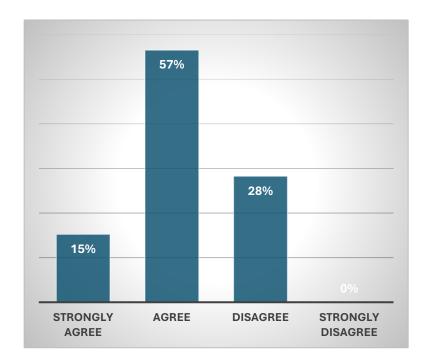
## **Survey Review: Administrator Time Management**

#### **School Site Administrators Only**

The redesign was an efficient use of time – when evaluating teachers.

The redesign was an efficient use of time – when being evaluated.







#### Winter Survey Comments re: NEPF Implementation

#### **Administrators**

Less clear on the difference between ratings for 3's and 4's.

Admin would benefit from in-person NEPF training.

#### **Teachers**

NEPF updates were briefly discussed, but not in detail, so any actual support would be beneficial.

We need more time to do reflection and planning.



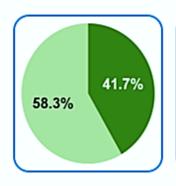
#### **NEPF Field Study Participant Interviews**

- In addition to the survey, NDE conducted Field Study Participant Interviews throughout March 2025
- Responses Total: 12
  - Teachers: 1
  - Administrators: 10
  - Principal Supervisors: 1

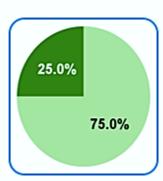




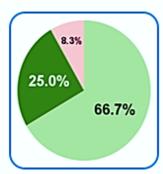
# **NEPF Field Study Interviews – Multiple Choice**











The redesigned
NEPF rubrics
effectively align
with the goals of
improving
educator
performance and
student
outcomes.

The time required to complete the NEPF evaluation cycle using the redesigned rubrics was manageable.

The redesigned rubrics, protocols, and tools supported meaningful conversations between evaluators and educators.

The tools provided in the NEPF Redesign Toolkit were helpful in the implementation of the evaluation process.

The NEPF
Redesign can
be successfully
implemented
statewide to
positively
impact the
professional
growth of
educators.

Strongly Agree

Agree

Disagree

Strongly Disagree



#### **NEPF Field Study Interviews: Open-ended Responses**

#### **Challenges**

Change in scoring levels, and whole-number limitations.

Shifting Mindset from indicators to holistic scoring, and inconsistencies across buildings.

More time for discussions that drive change, though some teachers struggled with the less detailed (indicator) feedback.

#### **Suggestions**

Create a checklist for justifying scores, allow administrators to adjust between redesign and traditional forms based on educator needs.

More training on evidence collection, coaching cycles, and aligning feedback with scores for continuous improvement.

Reduce redundancies, integrate data collection into one document, and link rubrics directly to evaluation tools for easy reference.

#### **Feedback**

More definitive examples of descriptors across subjects, grade levels, and specialized positions (e.g., Pre-K, SPED) would improve clarity and implementation.

The redesigned process is more time-efficient, easier to understand, and allows for quicker feedback and post-conference turnaround.

Challenges remain in distinguishing between ratings (e.g., 3 vs. 4) and achieving statewide consistency.



#### **NEPF MCI Survey For Field Study Participants**

- The annual NEPF Monitoring for Continuous Improvement (MCI) survey has been released to all school districts (through the NEPF Liaisons).
- To avoid survey fatigue, Field Study
   Participants are taking the standard
   survey, but are asked to answer a few
   additional questions regarding the Field
   Study.
- The MCI survey is open until July 15, 2025.





# NEPF Redesign Field Study 2025-26 Implementation



#### **NEPF Field Study Tools**

- In response to some of the challenges raised during the field study interviews and workgroup sessions, the Department has created an additional tool participants can use during pre- and postobservation conferences.
- The tool is intended to help guide discussion, ensure all descriptors are being addressed, and identify areas of growth.

#### NEVADA EDUCATOR PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK CONFERENCE TOOL: STANDARDS CHECKLIST

To ensure accessibility in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), please use the down arrow key to navigate this tool.

Teacher Name: Click here to enter text. School Name: Click here to enter text.

Evaluator: Click here to enter text. Date: Click here to enter text.

This tool is for the teacher and evaluator to discuss an upcoming scheduled observation or to discuss recent scheduled and/or unscheduled observations. It is intended to guide thinking and conversation focusing on the collective practices that demonstrate the standards and descriptors. The tool serves as a guide to identify areas of strength, areas for growth, and/or descriptors that still need to be addressed.

Instructional Practice Standards	Performance Level
Standard 1: New Learning is Connected to Prior Learning and Experience	
Descriptor 1: The teacher activates all students' initial understandings of new concepts and skills.	Choose One 🔻
Descriptor 2: The teacher makes connections explicit between previous learning and new concepts and skills for all students.	Choose One 🔻
Descriptor 3: The teacher makes clear the purpose and relevance of new learning for all students.	Choose One *
Descriptor 4: The teacher provides all students opportunities to build on or challenge initial understandings.	Choose One



#### 2025-26 NEPF Field Study Recommendations

# Teachers and Leaders Council

Recommends that the NEPF Redesign Field Study be expanded via an open invitation to all districts.

# Nevada Department of Education

Recommends expanding the NEPF Redesign Field Study.

Continuation with the original participants as a year two cohort.



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# Conclusion

# Additional Questions, Comments, Suggestions?

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