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Notice of Workshop to Solicit Comments on Proposed Regulation

The Nevada Department of Education is proposing regulation language pertaining to the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). The Workshop has been scheduled for **Thursday, November 2, 2023**, via [Livestream Link](#) and at the following locations: **Nevada Department of Education Offices, 700 East Fifth Street, Board Room, Carson City and 2080 East Flamingo Road, Room 114, Las Vegas, Nevada**. The purpose of the Workshop is to solicit comments from interested persons on the following general topics to be addressed in a proposed regulation:

2:25 P.M Workshop to Solicit Comments on Proposed Amendments to R022-23P—Uniform Grading Scale

A copy of all materials relating to the proposal may be obtained at the workshop, on the [Meeting Materials page](#), by contacting the Nevada Department of Education, via email at NVBoardEd@doe.nv.gov, by telephone at 775-443-5519, or in person at the **Nevada Department of Education Offices, 700 East Fifth Street, Board Room, Carson City and 2080 East Flamingo Road, Room 114, Las Vegas, Nevada**. Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed action of the Department of Education may provide in-person testimony, submit written comment to the Department via email at NVBoardEd@doe.nv.gov or submit their comments, data, views, or arguments in written form to the **Nevada Department of Education Offices, 700 East Fifth Street, Board Room, Carson City and 2080 East Flamingo Road, Room 114, Las Vegas, Nevada**. Comments may be submitted via email leading up to and for the duration of the workshop, and those submitted via mail must be received by the Department on or before **Wednesday, November 1, 2023**.

This notice has been sent to all persons on the agencies mailing list for administrative regulations and the Department of Education and posted on the Nevada Department of Education's website at <https://doe.nv.gov>, Nevada's Public Notice site at <https://notice.nv.gov>, the Nevada State Legislature's webpage at <https://leg.state.nv.us>, and physically at the Nevada Department of Education Offices and with Nevada State Library and Archives. Copies of this notice will also be emailed and/or mailed to members of the public upon request.

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

LCB File No. R022-23

August 18, 2023

EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [~~omitted material~~] is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §§ 1 and 2, NRS 385.080 and 389.007.

A REGULATION relating to education; revising provisions governing the uniform grading scale for pupils enrolled in high school; prescribing a weighted value for the completion of a dual credit course; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

Existing law requires the State Board of Education to adopt regulations that provide a uniform grading scale for all public high schools, including, without limitation, a uniform grading scale for dual credit courses, international baccalaureate courses, advanced placement courses and honors courses. Existing law requires such regulations to assign the same weight to dual credit courses and international baccalaureate courses as that assigned to advanced placement courses if the dual credit course or international baccalaureate course is in a core academic subject or a subject for which an advanced placement course is offered. (NRS 389.007) Existing regulations prescribe a weighted value of 0.050 for the completion of an advanced placement course or international baccalaureate course with a grade of A, B, C or D, which must be added to the value otherwise provided for that letter grade under the uniform grading scale. (NAC 389.6625) **Section 1** of this regulation prescribes a weighted value of 0.050 for the completion of a dual credit course with a grade of A, B, C or D. **Section 2** of this regulation provides that this weighted value applies to a dual credit course completed during or after the 2022-2023 school year. When determining the value to be assigned to a grade of a pupil who transferred from a high school located outside of this State or from a private high school located in this State to a public high school in this State, **section 1** requires this weighted value to be applied to a dual credit course completed with a grade of A, B, C or D by such a student.

Existing regulations authorize a school district or charter school to apply the uniform grading scale for pupils enrolled in grades 10, 11 and 12 during the 2014-2015 school year or to continue applying the grading scale that was in effect for those pupils before the 2014-2015 school year until the graduation of such pupils. (NAC 389.6625) **Section 1** removes these provisions.

Section 1. NAC 389.6625 is hereby amended to read as follows:

389.6625 1. ~~Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, the~~ **The** board of trustees of each school district and the governing body of each charter school shall use the following uniform grading scale for pupils enrolled in the school district or charter school in grades 9 to 12, inclusive:

Course Point Range	Grade	Value
90.0-100	A	4.0
80.0-89.99	B	3.0
70.0-79.99	C	2.0
60.0-69.99	D	1.0
Below 60	F	0.0

2. The grading scale prescribed by subsection 1 must be weighted as follows:

(a) For completion of an honors course with a grade of A, B, C or D, a value of 0.025 must be added to the value otherwise prescribed by subsection 1.

(b) For completion of an advanced placement course with a grade of A, B, C or D, a value of 0.050 must be added to the value otherwise prescribed by subsection 1.

(c) For completion of an international baccalaureate course with a grade of A, B, C or D, a value of 0.050 must be added to the value otherwise prescribed by subsection 1.

(d) For completion of a dual credit course with a grade of A, B, C or D, a value of 0.050 must be added to the value otherwise prescribed by subsection 1.

3. The grade point average of a pupil enrolled in grade 9, 10, 11 or 12 must be computed to the third decimal place. A grade point average that:

- (a) Is less than 0.0005 must be rounded down; and
- (b) Is 0.0005 or higher must be rounded up.

4. If a pupil transfers from a high school located outside this State or from a private high school located in this State and enrolls in high school at a school district or charter school in this State, the pupil's transcript must be reviewed and a value must be assigned for each grade earned by the pupil in the other state or at the private high school as follows:

(a) If the pupil's transcript contains a letter grade for a course, that letter grade must be assigned a numerical value in accordance with the grading scale prescribed by subsection 1.

(b) If the pupil's transcript does not contain a letter grade for a course but contains a numerical value for a grade in the course, that numerical value must be assigned in accordance with the grading scale prescribed by subsection 1.

(c) If the pupil's transcript contains a notation that the pupil has completed an honors course, an advanced placement course, ~~or~~ an international baccalaureate course *or a dual credit course* with a grade of A, B, C or D, the weighted value prescribed by subsection 2 must be applied for that course. If the transcript does not contain such a notation, the grading scale prescribed by subsection 1 must be applied for the course.

~~5. [The uniform grading scale prescribed by this section applies to pupils who are enrolled in grade 9 beginning with the 2014-2015 school year, until graduation of those pupils, including, without limitation, pupils who repeat grade 9 in the 2014-2015 school year.~~

~~6. For pupils who are enrolled in grades 10, 11 and 12 for the 2014-2015 school year, a school district or charter school may, until graduation of those pupils:~~

~~(a) Apply the uniform grading scale prescribed by this section; or~~

~~—(b) Continue applying the grading scale in effect for those pupils before the 2014-2015 school year.~~

~~—7.]~~ The board of trustees of each school district and the governing body of each charter school may adopt a policy assigning a plus or minus to the grades set forth in subsection 1. The policy must ensure that the value assigned to each grade earned by a pupil complies with the value set forth in the grading scale prescribed by subsection 1 and, if applicable, the weighted value prescribed by subsection 2.

Sec. 2. The amendatory provisions of section 1 of this regulation prescribing a weighted value to the grading scale for the completion of a dual credit course apply to any dual credit course completed during or after the 2022-2023 school year.

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SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT
PURSUANT TO NRS 233B.0608

DATE: October 11, 2023

RE: Workshop to Solicit Comments on Proposed Amendments to NAC Chapter 389.6625.

I, Jhone M. Ebert, being the duly appointed Superintendent of Public Instruction of the Nevada Department of Education, do hereby certify, to the best of my knowledge or belief:

1. The proposed regulation regarding a uniform grading scale is not likely to (a) impose a direct or significant economic burden upon a small business, or (b) directly restrict the formation, operation or expansion of a small business.
2. A concerted effort was made to determine any economic burden.
3. All relevant materials were reviewed, and the Department considered its history with implementing similar regulations; the proposed changes are within the scope of the Department's activities and present no significant cost of enforcement.
4. Comment has not been solicited from small businesses, and no summary of their response is provided, because small businesses are not impacted by this regulation and thus no burden or adverse economic impact can be assessed.

I hereby further certify that, to the best of my knowledge or belief, a concerted effort was made to determine the impact of the regulation on small businesses and that the information contained in this statement was prepared properly and is accurate.

Respectfully submitted,

Jhone M. Ebert
Superintendent of Public Instruction