



Nevada Achievement School District

Overview and Input



OVERVIEW OF THE NEVADA ASD

The Nevada ASD

- An office within NDE that works to provide high quality schools for students currently zoned to low performing schools
- We do this through:
 - Collaborating with NDE Team and Districts around innovative school improvement initiatives
 - Providing neighborhood options for student zoned to low performing schools
 - Transforming low performing schools



The Nevada ASD annual process

- Each year, the Nevada ASD may select up to six low performing schools to:
 - Provide a new neighborhood option for students living in the school zone
 - Transform into a Neighborhood Achievement Charter School



Current Achievement Charter Schools

- **Futuro Academy** – Opened in Fall 2017 as a neighborhood option for students living in the Cambeiro Elementary School Zone
- **Democracy Prep at the Agassi Campus** – Assumed operations of Agassi Prep Charter School in the Fall of 2017.
 - 83% of students re-enrolled
 - 44% of staff continued on with DPAC



School Selection Process

Community Engagement

School Partnership

Consider

Evaluate

Envision & Plan

School Opening

Sept. 15

Dec. 1

Dec. 31

Feb. 1

Fall

Nevada Department of Education publishes list of Rising Star Schools and schools eligible for the Nevada ASD

Nevada ASD recommends at least 20% of eligible schools

State Board of Education approves at least 50% of recommended schools

Nevada ASD selects up to six schools and pairs them with operators or transformation teams

Schools open for the upcoming school year



2017 Operator Context

- This year we are not putting forward a “transformation” option. No CMO will assume the operations of an existing school.
- All three approved operators are “neighborhood options” and will open in areas of high need.



2017 School Selection Process

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October

Nevada Department of Education publishes list of Rising Star Schools and schools eligible for the Nevada ASD

Nov. 16

Nevada ASD recommends at least 20% of eligible schools

Dec. 14

State Board of Education approves at least 50% of recommended schools

Feb. 1

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Fall 2018

Schools open for 2018-19 School Year

2017 School Selection Process to Date



24 Eligible Schools



10 Recommended Schools



10 Approved Schools

Nevada Ready!

Nevada ASD Neighborhood Options

Non-Profit Charter School Organization	School Model	Grades Served
Nevada Rise Academy	College Prep	K-5 (initially K-1)*
Nevada Prep Charter School	College Prep	5-8 (5-6 initially)*
Urban Prep Las Vegas	College and Career Prep – specializes in serving young men	9-12 (9 th grade initially)

**Intend to create a full K-8 Alternative by locating schools in the same community*





GATHERING PARENT INPUT

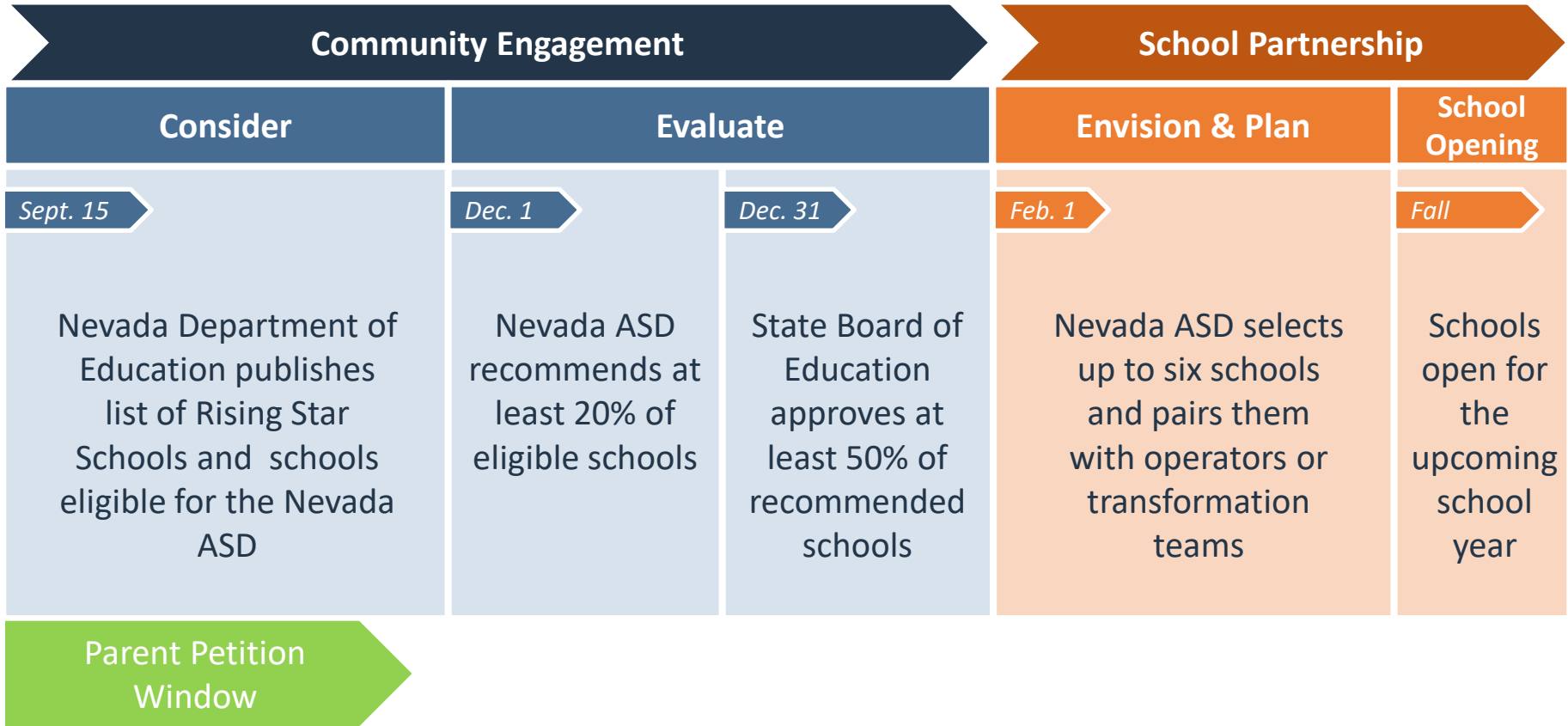
Parent Petition

Recent regulations enable parents to petition for:

- A **Performance Compact** that includes performance targets and an action to improve school performance
 - Empowerment School
 - State Turnaround Designation
 - Evidence-based plan developed by principal, teachers and parents
 - Non-profit partnership
 - Evidence-based action deemed appropriate by the Department
- To become an **Achievement Charter School**



School Selection with Parent Petition



The Petition Process

Parent Petition

An Overview

1



A parent or group of parents decide that they want to make a change at their child's school.

2



School Plan

The parents work together to draft a School Plan. The parents may involve school staff in developing the plan.

3



Then, they share the plan with other parents and ask them to sign a petition to support the School Plan.

4



Once they get the signatures of more than half of the student's parents, they turn the petition in for approval.

5



The parents work together to implement the School Plan for the next school year.

Launching the Parent Petition

- Publish clear and easy to use forms
- Provide basic information for parents
- Ensure parents are aware of their rights



Publishing Information

- Publish clear and easy to use forms
 - Cover Page
 - Declaration to be signed by lead petitioner(s)
 - School Plan
 - Declaration to be signed by petition circulator(s)
 - Signature Page
- Provide basic information for parents (three audiences)
 - Petition Organizers
 - Petition Circulators
 - Petition Signer



Questions or Feedback?

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