2023 Recommendations Legislative Action Update

Data

Exit Survey	 \$1 million in federal funds was funded through Interim Finance Committee (IFC) for the Nevada Department of Education (NDE) to contract with a third party for the development and implementation of the surveys. No additional legislative action taken
Study of Educator Workload	 SB72: Conduct Studies Signed by Governor AB72: Advisory Committee on Safety & Well-Being of Public School Staff Signed by Governor
Workforce Data Portal	 COE sent a letter to the Governor, Finance (FIN) and Ways and Means (WM) of the 2023 Legislative Session, to consider investing funding to sustain the educator workforce supply and demand portal currently being developed using federal relief funds. No additional legislative action taken
Working Conditions Survey	 \$1 million in federal funds was funded through Interim Finance Committee (IFC) for the Nevada Department of Education (NDE) to contract with a third party for the development and implementation of the surveys. No additional legislative action taken

Messaging/ Branding and Transparency

Messaging and Branding of the Profession of Teaching	No action taken	
Nevada Aspiring Educators Initiative	 COE sent a letter to the Governor, FIN, and WM of the 2023 Legislative Session to encourage investing in a series of events and supports for aspiring educators, specifically preservice educators or potential future educators. No additional legislative action taken 	

Removing Barriers

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Expedited Background Checks	 COE sent a letter to the Governor, FIN, and WM of the 2023 Legislative Session to consider allocating funding to the Department of Public Safety to support the prioritization of background checks for educator licensure. No additional legislative action taken
Invest to Support the Continuation of State and ESSER Funded Initiatives/ Programs	 COE sent a letter to the Governor, FIN, and WM of the 2023 Legislative Session to consider investing through an increase of funding to education to support the initiatives/programs that are currently being funded through the state and with federal ESSER funds. COE included expanding use of the funds to include the Nevada Institute on Teaching and Educator Preparation (NITEP) grant. AB515: Incentivizing Pathways to Education grant program Signed by Governor
Loans for In-State Tuition for Teacher Preparation Programs	 COE sent a letter to the Governor, FIN, and WM of the 2023 Legislative Session to consider providing funding to create and manage a zero-interest loan for in-state tuition for teacher preparation programs. No additional legislative action taken
Study of Teacher Licensure Testing Requirements	 SB72: Conduct Various Studies Signed by Governor
Support the Home Is Possible for Teachers Program	 COE sent a letter to the Governor, FIN, and WM of the 2023 Legislative Session to consider providing State General Funds to supplement the current funding structure to support the Home is Possible for Teachers program. No additional legislative action taken

Salary/ Compensation/ Benefits

Loan Forgiveness Program	 COE sent a letter to the Governor, FIN, and WM of the 2023 Legislative Session and the Student Loan Ombudsman to consider providing funding, outside of the State General Fund to create and manage a student loan forgiveness reimbursement program for teachers. No additional legislative action taken
Public Employee Retirement (PERS) Incentive	 No action taken SB308: Changes to PERS Died in 1st House committee
Statewide Minimum Salary Schedule for Teachers	• No additional legislative action taken
Strategic Use of Funds	
Expand Teaching and Training (T/T) Career and Technical Education (CTE) Programs	 COE sent a letter to the Governor, FIN, and WM of the 2023 Legislative Session to encourage investment in expanding the availability of T/T CTE programs in Nevada's high schools, including covering dual enrollment tuition for students and potential staff support at NSHE institutions to sustain partnerships relate to the program. AB428: Economic Development Signed by Governor

Increase Allocation of Funding to Education to support the following priorities:

Administrator professional learning	 No additional legislative action taken
Hiring educators	 SB231: Allocation for Educator Raises To Governor's desk SB442: Interstate Teacher Mobility Act Signed by Governor
Mentor programs	No additional legislative action taken
District-led affordable housing/ rental assistance to educators	• No additional legislative action taken
District-led recruitment and retention efforts	No additional legislative action taken
Support educator pipeline, retention incentives, career ladder options, and other resources	 AB428: Ecomonic Development Signed by Governor SB339: Supplies and materials Signed by Governor SB291: Student teachers employed as substitutes Signed by Governor SB434: Adds substitute teachers to PERS eligiblity Signed by Governor