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GUIDANCE MEMORANDUM 26-01

TO: All Local Education Agencies

FROM: Dr. Victor Wakefield, Superintendent of Public Instruction 

DATE: January 23, 2026

SUBJECT: Resources to Support Assembly Bill 4 (AB4) and AB6 of the 36th Special Session of the Nevada Legislature

The 36th Special Session (2025) of the Nevada State Legislature adjourned sine die on November 19, 2025, and included the passage of Assembly Bill (AB) 4 regarding various public safety measures and AB6 regarding school zone safety and student privacy measures.

ASSEMBLY BILL 4

Section 46.5 of AB4 included the following provisions regarding law enforcement access to student information and school sites:

- For the purposes of the bill, law enforcement officer does not include, school resource officers as defined in NRS 388.2358 or other peace officers conferred under NRS 289.150-360.
- A school district or public school shall not grant a law enforcement officer carrying out official duties permission to access the grounds, buildings, or facilities of a school district or public school unless:
 - A court has issued a lawful order, warrant, or subpoena;
 - There are exigent circumstances that would make it unreasonable for the officer to obtain a lawful order or warrant;
 - The officer is engaged in the investigation, prevention, or enforcement of a criminal offense under state or local law; or
 - The officer is providing educational programming for students or employees of the school district or public school.
- A school district or public school shall not disclose or provide in writing, verbally, or any other manner, educational information to an officer carrying out official duties except pursuant to a lawful order, warrant, or subpoena issued by a court of competent jurisdiction, as necessary during or in the immediate aftermath of a mass casualty event or other emergency on or within the grounds, building, or facilities of a school district or public school, where the delay of obtaining such a warrant or order would endanger human life.

The Nevada Department of Education (NDE or Department) has previously shared guidance and resources with local education agencies during meetings of the Nevada Association of School Superintendents (NASS). In response to expanded protections in Nevada under AB4, the Department has identified several resources that

may be used by school districts, charter schools, university schools for profoundly gifted students, educators, and families, to include:

- [Nevada Office of the Attorney General \(OAG\) Model Immigration Policies \(see pages 30-41\)](#)
- [OAG Know Your Rights Immigration \(Individuals\) \(available in 6 languages\)](#)
- [OAG Know Your Rights Immigration \(Businesses\) \(available in 6 languages\)](#)
- [OAG Immigrant Rights Resources](#)
- [National Education Association \(NEA\) Guidance on Immigration Issues](#)
- [NEA Supporting Immigrant Families and Students Toolkit](#)
- [The Immigrant Legal Resource Center's Red Card Initiative](#)
- [Informed Immigrant Resource Library](#)
- [The Immigrant Learning Center Resource Hub](#)

The Department encourages local education agencies to work with their community, to include boards of trustees, local law enforcement agencies, school and community organizations, and legal counsel, to develop and/or share resources and policies for families and educators across all school sites regarding individual rights and what steps to take should law enforcement attempt to gain access to school grounds in the ten most spoken languages specific to their district.

SafeVoice

The Department has been engaged in conversations regarding provisions in AB4 and the use of [SafeVoice](#), an anonymous reporting system used to report threats to the safety or well-being of students. At this time, the Department does not believe that AB4 limits the use of SafeVoice as a means of proactive support for student and school safety. However, the Department has requested clarification from the Legislature regarding their intent to assure the continued role of SafeVoice programming and anticipate issuing further guidance upon receipt of such clarification.

Please reach out to Christy McGill, Deputy Superintendent for the Educator Effectiveness and Family Engagement Division via cmcgill@doe.nv.gov with any questions regarding AB4, SafeVoice, or the resources provided.

ASSEMBLY BILL 6

Section 36.3 and 36.4 of AB6 expanded provisions regarding the security of student information, to include:

- Prohibitions against local education agencies disclosing the phone numbers or addresses of students and families to third party entities, unless necessary for the provision of instructional programming and services, wraparound services, or school service providers; and
- Requirements that public schools include only the name, grade level, and school photograph of any pupil within a student directory maintained by the school.

To support implementation, please note that the Department defines the term “instructional programming and services” to refer to supportive services and programs contemplated within state education statutes and regulations per the Nevada Revised Statutes and the Nevada Administrative Code, or federal education statutes and regulations, such as the Every Student Succeeds Act, the Education Department General Administrative Regulations, etc.

The Department shall continue to provide guidance regarding the protection of personally identifiable information and data privacy requirements pursuant to state and federal law, to include provisions under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). Please reach out to the Office of Assessments, Data, and Accountability Management via adaminfo@doe.nv.gov with any questions regarding AB6, FERPA, or any other data security requirements and best practices.