NEPF Liaison Update

October 2026

Effective educators serving all students is a Nevada priority. Effectiveness starts with being informed.
The NEPF Liaison Update will be published periodically and is designed to provide comprehensive and timely information.

Teachers and Leaders Council (TLC) Updates

The Teachers and Leaders Council met on September 23, 2026, to review statewide NEPF summative evaluation ratings, Monitoring for Continuous Improvement (MCI) survey results, NEPF Redesign implementation, and updates related to Senate Bill (SB) 460. Members also discussed opportunities to clarify and streamline education regulations through Executive Order 26-03.

Statewide ratings and educator experiences

Most reported teacher and school administrator ratings were Effective or Highly Effective. The Council discussed how ratings data and educator feedback can guide implementation support, professional learning, and stronger evaluation practices. Ratings should be interpreted with attention to differences in group size; exempt records represent an evaluation status rather than a performance rating. Summative ratings and standards performance scores do not track individual educator growth over time. NDE will have this capability beginning School Year 27-28.
The MCI survey included 4,816 respondents from 14 of Nevada's 17 school districts, a significant decrease from 7,376 responses the previous year. Approximately 90% of responding teachers and 95% of responding administrators viewed the evaluation process as fair. However, 75% of both groups reported that evaluation feedback improved their practice, highlighting an opportunity to strengthen coaching and actionable feedback. Participants also identified needs related to usability, evaluator collaboration, and support for specialized roles.

Survey participation was voluntary and uneven across districts. Results reflect respondent perceptions and should inform improvement conversations rather than be treated as representative of every Nevada educator.

Continued implementation monitoring

Council members requested ongoing updates on statewide implementation of the redesigned NEPF and administrator evaluator certification. NDE will continue gathering district experiences through liaison meetings and MCI interviews to help identify successes, questions, and support needs for future Council discussions. The next TLC meeting is scheduled for November 18, 2026. Please refer to the posted agenda for confirmed meeting details.

Nevada Educator Performance Framework (NEPF) Updates

NEPF liaisons met on September 28, 2026, to share implementation experiences, discuss administrator certification progress, and preview the NEPF data upload portal and ratings dashboard.

NEPF Redesign Implementation

Districts shared early experiences with the redesigned framework, including goal setting, standards-level scoring, and alignment with district instructional priorities. Discussion also raised questions about how existing rating thresholds function under standards-level scoring and the need for future attention to specialized personnel rubrics. These topics were identified for further exploration; no changes to rating thresholds or specialized rubrics were announced.

Administrator Evaluator Certification

District and Regional Professional Development Program (RPDP) representatives shared that administrator certification learning connects evidence collection, rubric application, feedback, and evaluator calibration. Examples included classroom observations followed by collaborative review of evidence and scoring decisions. Participants emphasized the value of applying learning directly to instructional leadership and evaluation practice.

NDE and partners also discussed sustaining support for incoming administrators in future years through district induction, asynchronous learning, and RPDP partnerships. Feedback from current participants and district leaders will help inform future program improvements.

NEPF Data Portal and Dashboard Preview

Liaisons received demonstrations of the proposed upload portal and ratings dashboard. The portal is intended to support data submission and validation, while the dashboard offers ways to examine rating distributions, trends, and results by educator group and standard. The formal upload pilot has been postponed, with a new date to be announced. Districts may still express interest in participating using their 2025–26 NEPF ratings data.

Each District will be able to establish one demo dashboard account. Designated contacts will receive an invitation directly from Looker to log in. User guidance and testing information will be shared, and districts are encouraged to record feedback on both the portal and dashboard in a shared Excel feedback document.

The next NEPF liaison meeting is scheduled for October 26, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. Additional meeting details will be shared with liaisons.

Nevada Department of Education (NDE) Updates

Educator Growth Goals: October 7 Public Hearing

At its October 7, 2026, Public Hearing, the State Board of Education tabled the proposed Educator Growth Goals (EGGs) regulation. The Board requested that NDE organize the questions and concerns raised during public comment and Board discussion into a chart, provide responses, and make additional revisions to the proposed language.

The Board requested that the regulation return for consideration in approximately two meetings, tentatively

December 2026 or January 2027. NDE will share updated materials and meeting information as they become available.

Education Regulation Review: Feedback Requested

Through Guidance Memo 26-16 and Executive Order 26-03, NDE is inviting school communities, families, and community partners to recommend education regulations that should be streamlined, clarified, or removed. Recommendations should identify the specific Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) provision and briefly explain the proposed change. Feedback may be submitted to superintendent@doe.nv.gov by October 29, 2026. Before submitting recommendations, please review the reference attachment to Guidance Memo 26-16, which identifies recent regulatory actions, including regulations that may be effective but not yet reflected in the online NAC, as well as provisions under development.

Monitoring for Continuous Improvement (MCI)

NDE is continuing district MCI interviews to review NEPF evaluation ratings, survey feedback, trends, and district priorities. As of the September 28 liaison meeting, 12 interviews had been completed, three were scheduled, and two remained pending.

The annual State Board presentation on NEPF ratings and MCI findings has been moved from November to December. The September materials identify the meeting as December 10, 2026, at 9:00 a.m., those wishing to view the presentation should confirm the date and time against the posted State Board agenda when published.

Future TLC and Liaison Meeting Dates

TLC meetings will be held the last* Wednesday of the month at 2 PM.
NEPF Liaison meetings are held the last* Monday of every month at 10 AM.

Teachers and Leaders Council	NEPF Liaisons
November 18, 2026	October 26, 2026
February 24, 2027	December 14, 2026
April 21, 2027	January 25, 2027

*Unless otherwise noted

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