



SESSION SPOTLIGHT

February 19, 2021

As a completely virtual session continues, there may be some light at the end of the tunnel for those hoping the building. Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB) Director Brenda Erdoes confirmed that next week, [LCB staff will start receiving vaccinations](#), a required condition before the Legislative building is able to open. This could finally start to give way to a timeline for when the building will reopen to the public. Meanwhile, LCB continues to work on potential locations from which people can testify in person from a remote location, with the UNLV Student Union already identified as the first site.

School Budget Accounts

Tuesday Morning, in the joint meeting of the [K-12/Higher Education/CIP subcommittees of the Senate Finance and Assembly Ways and Means Committees](#), the Nevada Department of Education made a presentation on the [State Education Funding Account](#), the [New Nevada Education Plan](#), and the [Distributive School Account](#).

In regards to the new Pupil Centered Funding Formula, the Governor has recommended a phased-in approach during the upcoming biennium. CCSD continues to monitor these conversations and how it could affect students and staff.

AB19 - Nevada Academic Content Standards

During Tuesday's [Assembly Committee on Education](#), the Nevada Department of Education presented AB 57. This bill is focused on codifying current language in the Nevada Administrative Code related to civics, financial literacy, and multicultural education into the Nevada Revised Statutes.

AB57 - Temporary Suspension of Student Learning Goals

At Thursday's [Assembly Committee on Education Meeting](#), Washoe County School District Superintendent Kristen McNeil presented AB57 which temporarily removes student learning goals from teacher (and some administrators) evaluations through the 2022-2023 school year.

Want to Learn More?

In case you did not know:

Calendar of Meetings: As mentioned earlier in this update, one of the most important tools you can use to stay informed during the legislative session is the link to the Calendar of Meetings,

found on the top right hand corner of the Nevada Legislature webpage. Or, find it by following this direct link: <https://leg.state.nv.us/App/Calendar/A/>.

In addition to providing you the most up-to-date list of the meeting schedule and the bills to be heard (with click-on-links that take you directly to the bill . . . how easy is that???!), the “VIEW” link that appears under the date and time column when the meeting is taking place allows you to access the live feed of the hearing in real time. It is a feature that makes it simple for you to see and hear exactly what is going on in Carson City without leaving your home or office.

Personal Legislative Tracking: Known as “PLT”

(<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Plt>), this FREE feature of the legislative website allows you to indicate which bills you’d like to follow. All you have to do is register and apply the easy-to-use features to identify the bills you are interested in. The grid of bills that is provided to you each week outlines all of the bills that CCSD follos. With PLT you can narrow down the list to the bills that matter to you. Once you’ve identified the bills you’re interested in, when you log into the PLT site, you’ll find your personalized list of bills, the hearing dates, and direct links to information related to the bills.

For a full list of bills we are tracking, click [here](#).

[Current Scheduled Meetings for the Week of February 22, 2021.](#)

The “[Calendar of Meetings](#)” on the Nevada Legislature website provides up to date information regarding meetings.

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