

2015 Legislative Priorities



Top Education Issues

The Clark County School District supports the following issues that require action by the Legislature:

- **Revise the Nevada Plan Funding Formula** – Implementation of a weighted funding model that addresses the needs of specific student populations including English language learners, special education, and children living in poverty.
- **Full-Day Kindergarten** – Expansion of the current program to provide state-funded full-day kindergarten for all schools.
- **Zoom Schools** – Expansion of the program created in 2013 to provide preschool, full-day kindergarten at a 21:1 ratio, reading centers, and an extended year in additional schools.
- **Education Stabilization Fund** – Create a “rainy day” fund to ensure consistent allocations to school districts in economic downturns.
- **School Construction** – Address the capital infrastructure needs of school districts to promote a safe, optimum learning environment for students.

CCSD Bill Draft Requests

The Clark County School District Board of Trustees approved the submittal of the following two bill draft requests for consideration by the 2015 Nevada Legislature:

- SB75 (BDR 472) will ensure all students have the same amount of instruction before taking high stakes assessments required by state law.
- AB55 (BDR 473) proposes changes to the law that will allow newly hired teachers a six-month window to complete testing necessary to obtain Nevada licensure. The availability of a temporary permit for new teachers relocating to the state will greatly assist school districts in recruiting teachers.

