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**June 27, 2024**

Below are highlights from the State Board of Education's June 24<sup>th</sup> [meeting](#). A recording of this meeting is available on [YouTube](#).

The Board recognized Matteo Huish from BASIS Mesa and Vivian Saavedra from Chaparral High School who were both named as 2024 Presidential Scholars. Each named Presidential Scholar selects a teacher as their most influential teacher who is then named a Distinguished Teacher. The Board also recognized Mr. Greg Thorson, an Economics teacher from BASIS Mesa and Ms. Sadie Puerner, a Chemistry teacher from Chaparral High School who were both named Distinguished teachers.

### **Consent Agenda Items**

The Board discussed and voted to approve items on the consent agenda.

### **K-12 Generative Artificial Intelligence Guidance**

The Board received a presentation from Dr. Chad Geston and LeeAnn Lindsey with the Arizona Institute for Education and the Economy (AIEE) on the recently released K-12 Generative Artificial Intelligence Guidance that was released by AIEE.

### **Arizona State Plan for Perkins V**

The Board voted to direct the Arizona Department of Education to submit a budget and the state developed performance levels for Fiscal Year 2025 to the U.S. Department of Education and to revise the plan and return to the Board in May for a vote on the Fiscal Year 2026 and forward plan.

### **Rulemaking**

The Board voted to close the following rulemaking procedures

- A.A.C. R7-2-811, Seizure Management Training
- A.A.C. R7-2-608, R7-2-609, Elementary and Early Childhood Certificates
- A.A.C. R7-2-320, State Seal of Civics Literacy

### **Empowerment Scholarship Account Appeals**

The Board took action to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Recommendation from the Hearing Officer to deny the Parent/Guardian's, B.O.'s appeal 2024-00018.

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The Board took action to send the Parent/Guardian's, C.B.'s appeals 2024-00025, 2024-00026, and 2024-00027 back to a hearing officer to be reheard.

### **Legislative Affairs**

The Board received a presentation on Legislative Affairs Updates from Board Staff.

### **Certification Actions**

The Board voted to take all of the following disciplinary actions on relevant educators.

- Approve the voluntary surrender of certificates
- Approve the permanent revocation of the right to work in an Arizona district or charter school pursuant to A.R.S. §15-550(C)
- Approve the non-issuance and/or revocation of certificates pursuant to A.A.C. R7-2-1307
- Approve the summary suspension of certificates pursuant to A.A.C. R7-2-1309(A)
- Approve the revocation of certificates due to violation of Negotiated Settlement Agreement terms and conditions
- Approve Negotiated Settlement Agreements
- Approve the revocation of certificates
- Approve the suspension of certificates with conditions
- Approve the revocation of the right to work in an Arizona district or charter school
- Deny the application for certification and revoke any and all teaching certificates
- Table enforcement action for a future Board Meeting

### **Educator Discipline Lookup**

Prior to hiring both certified and non-certified educators, schools are required to check the Arizona Department of Education's (ADE) public-facing and internal systems for possible discipline or open investigations for immoral or unprofessional conduct.

To assist schools, the Board is providing a list of many of the educators who were disciplined at the most recent meeting. Please note that this information is only a snapshot of most educators who were disciplined at the most recent Board meeting and does not, in and of itself, satisfy the requirement for schools to check ADE's systems described above prior to hiring. Because educators have the right to appeal their disciplinary action, there may be an approximately 30-day lag in reporting some disciplinary action. To view the list please use this link:

<https://c0abe837.caspio.com/dp/5a506000251753529c6846539a08>.

### **Meeting Schedule**

The next regular Board Meeting is scheduled for August 26<sup>th</sup> at 9am. The Board Retreat is scheduled for August 27<sup>th</sup> at 9am.

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