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Below are highlights from the State Board of Education's March 24th [meeting](#). Recordings of these meetings are available on [YouTube](#).

Superintendent Horne recognized Jeffrey Martin, the Principal of Clarendon Elementary School in the Osborn School District and the 2024 Arizona Milken Educator Award recipient. The Board recognized Roopesh Nagarajan, an 11th grade student at Sandra Day O'Connor High School and West-MEC Northeast Campus and Saturino Felix Pajkos, a 12th grade student at Tanque Verde High School as the March 2025 Students of the Month.

Consent Agenda Items

The Board voted to approve items on the consent agenda.

Cochise County School Safety Consortium

The Board received a presentation from Cynthia Meyers, Outreach Manager at the Cochise County Superintendent of Schools Office and Cochise County Sheriff Mark Dannels, on the Cochise County School Safety Consortium's school safety system. The Consortium is a collaborative effort between the Cochise County Sheriff, the Cochise County Superintendent and school districts in Cochise county to create cohesive county-wide systems to respond to school crises and emergencies and to begin preventative efforts related to school safety.

A-F Accountability for School Year 2024-2025

The Board received a presentation from Sean Smith, Chief Accountability Officer at the Arizona Department of Education, on the recommendation to approve the statewide 2024-2025 A-F Accountability Models and Business Rules for Traditional K-8 and 9-12 schools, Non-Typical (Hybrid) Configuration, 9-12 Alternative Schools, and AOI schools as presented. The Board voted to approve the statewide 2024-2025 A-F Accountability Models and Business Rules as presented.

Empowerment Scholarship Account Handbook

The Board received a presentation from John Ward, Executive Director of the ESA Program at the Arizona Department of Education, and Janelle Woods, ESA Parent Handbook Committee Facilitator, on the proposed ESA Draft Handbook for the 2025-2026 school year. The Board did not vote on the ESA Handbook at this time. This agenda item will be continued to the April Board Meeting.

Legislative Affairs

The Board received a presentation from Board Staff regarding legislative affairs.

Certification Actions

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



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- Approve the voluntary surrender of educator certificates or right to work in an Arizona district or charter school
- Approve the permanent revocation of any and all educator certificates pursuant to A.R.S. § 15-550(A)
- 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 revocation of any and all educator certificates pursuant to A.R.S. § 15-534.04(C)
- Approve the summary suspension of any and all certificates pursuant to A.A.C. R7-2-1309(A)
- Approve Negotiated Settlement Agreements
- Adopt the findings of fact, conclusions of law and the recommendations of the Professional Practices Advisory Committee related to educators' certificates and the right to work in Arizona district and charter schools
- Approve the request for a hearing pursuant to A.A.C. R7-2-1307
- Reject the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and the recommendations of the Professional Practices Advisory Committee related to educator's certificates and return the cases for individual hearings with the Professional Practices Advisory Committee
- Reject the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and the recommendations of the Professional Practices Advisory Committee related to educator's certificates and take no further action

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 provides a list of 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 approximate 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 April 28th at 9am.