



**NEVADA READY 21 DIGITAL LEARNING PROGRAM
AWARDS \$14 MILLION TO NEVADA SCHOOLS**

Carson City, NV – Twenty Nevada schools will receive \$14.1 million from the *Nevada Ready 21* digital learning initiative announced today by the Nevada Department of Education.

“This innovative digital learning program provides each student in a participating middle school 24-hour access to a laptop and supports teachers in providing engaging, authentic learning experiences,” Nevada Superintendent of Public Instruction Steve Canavero said.

The 2015 Nevada Legislature approved Gov. Brian Sandoval’s *Nevada Ready 21* program that helps students develop 21st century skills needed to fuel the economic growth of the state. Middle schools received the first portion of *Nevada Ready 21* funding, which supports educators in their efforts to create more engaging and personalized instruction by providing the essential tools and the ongoing professional development to guide their transformation.

Funds for the *Nevada Ready 21* program are overseen by the Nevada Commission on Educational Technology. School districts from across the state applied for the grant that will assist schools in their planning and implementation of digital learning initiatives. The applications were reviewed by a committee representing public and private entities, the education sector and industry experts in 21st century learning.

Professional learning for teachers and administrators will begin in late spring 2016 and continue throughout the program. Students will receive their laptop in the beginning of the 2016-2017 school year.

Middle schools participating in the initial phase of the *Nevada Ready 21* digital learning initiative:

Awarded Schools	Amount Awarded
CARSON MIDDLE SCHOOL	\$934,478.40
EAGLE VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL	\$547,060.00
Anthony Saville Middle School	\$1,190,843.47

Barbara and Hank Greenspun Junior High School	\$1,074,050.64
Bob Miller Middle School	\$1,309,114.70
Charles Silvestri Junior High School	\$1,319,463.43
Del E Webb Middle School	\$1,374,163.88
Elton M Garrett Junior High School	\$345,943.36
Lied Middle School	\$856,727.24
Mack Lyon Middle School	\$320,810.72
Sig Rogich Middle School	\$1,411,862.83
Adobe Middle School	\$392,095.93
Spring Creek Middle School	\$404,298.37
Eleanor Lemaire Junior High School	\$185,880.78
Lund (Grades 6-8)	\$13,511.68
White Pine Middle School	\$166,038.64
Provisional Awards	
Churchill County Jr. High School	\$425,335.11
Mater Academy of Nevada	\$223,380.04
Pinecrest Academy of Nevada	\$1,406,106.40
Somerset Academy of Las Vegas	\$214,456.00
Total:	\$14,115,621.62

Nevada Ready 21 is a statewide initiative that provides students with an equitable, technology-rich education that supports high standards, an engaging learning environment, and the development of the 21st century skills students will need to fuel the economic growth of the state. When learning is directed by a student’s own inquiry, teaching becomes more effective and naturally engaging.

Nevada Ready 21 ensures 24-hour access to a laptop for Nevada middle and high school students with the initial phase targeting middle schools. In addition to providing digital learning devices for each student, the program will deliver comprehensive professional development training and support for teachers and administrators as well as improving broadband internet access in schools throughout the state.

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