



Competency-Based Education: Assembly Bill 110

A.B. 110 directed the Nevada Department of Education (NDE) to perform the following activities:

1. **Conduct a statewide awareness campaign and one or more meetings with state superintendents** to promote understanding and interest in competency-based education.
2. **Establish a pilot program to provide competency-based education** with an application process to be determined by the State Board of Education.
3. **Establish the Competency-Based Education Network** and prescribes the membership and duties of the Network.

What is Competency-Based Education?

A system of instruction by which a pupil advances to a higher level of learning when the pupil demonstrates mastery of a concept or skill, regardless of the time, place or pace at which the pupil progresses.

What Are the Conditions for Pilot Program Participation?

- A commitment to implement competency-based education for not less than 5 years
- Evidence of support for the implementation by the community served by the school district or charter school; and
- A commitment to participate in the Competency-Based Education Network
- Implement a system of instruction by which a pupil advances to a higher level of learning when the pupil demonstrates mastery of a concept or skill;
- Establish concrete skills on which a pupil will be evaluated that include explicit, measurable and transferable learning objectives;
- Ensure that assessment is a meaningful and positive learning experience for pupils;
- Ensure that pupils receive timely and differentiated support based upon their individual learning needs; and
- Ensure that pupils are able to apply knowledge learned, create new knowledge and develop important skills and dispositions relating to such knowledge

What is the Nevada Competency-Based Education Network?

The network will be comprised of the initial cohort of approved applicants as well as the following:

- a. The principal of each pilot school.
- b. At least one teacher from a pilot school, selected by the principal of the school.
- c. The Chancellor of the Nevada System of Higher Education or his or her designee.
- d. The Chancellor of Western Governors University Nevada or his or her designee.
- e. One teacher who does not teach in a pilot school, selected by the Nevada State Education Association to represent the Association.
- f. One parent or guardian of a pupil who is enrolled in a pilot school, selected by the Nevada Parent Teacher Association.
- g. One parent or guardian of a pupil who is not enrolled in a pilot school, selected by the Nevada Parent Teacher Association.

What Are the Duties of the CBEN?

- a) Study approaches to converting requirements regarding the amount of time a pupil is required to spend in a classroom into competency measures;
- b) Study tools for use in personalized learning and competency-based education;
- c) Study approaches to ensure appropriate examinations are prescribed by the State Board pursuant to NRS 389.171;
- d) Study strategies for improving competency-based education through the use of technology;
- e) Study professional development relating to competency-based education and other support to assist educators in transitioning to a system of competency-based education;
- f) Provide support and share data and best practices among schools participating in the pilot program established pursuant to section 1.2 of this act;
- g) Identify barriers and possible solutions to implementing a statewide system of competency-based education;
- h) Develop evidence-based recommendations for the continued implementation of a system of competency-based education; and
- i) On or before January 31 of every even-numbered year, submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature on the implementation of a system of competency-based education in this State.

Video Links for More Information:

[Engaging Students and Personalizing Learning](#)

[2016 National Summit on Education Reform Strategy Session: Building Consensus for Competency-Based Education and Personalized Learning.](#)

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