

Connecticut State Board of Education

Hartford

Meeting of March 4, 2026
9:30 a.m.

450 Columbus Boulevard
Plaza North Conference Room C & D
Hartford, CT 06103

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A G E N D A

The Board's Four Priorities:

- Ensuring equitable access to education;
- Ensuring safe and healthy learning environments;
- Elevating Connecticut's curriculum frameworks; and
- Creating opportunities for students to explore multiple career pathway options.

Every Student Prepared for Learning, Life, and Work Beyond School:
The Connecticut State Board of Education's Five-year Comprehensive Plan for Education, 2023-2028

- I. Call to Order
 - Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Public Participation
- III. Executive Session
 - A. Executive discussion to review written legal opinion from the Department's Director of Legal and Governmental Affairs regarding House Bill 5217
- IV. Consideration of Minutes:
 - A. February 11, 2026, State Board of Education Meeting
- V. Report of the Chair

VI. Committee Reports

- A. Academic Standards and Assessment
- B. Accountability and Support
- C. Finance, Audit, and Budget
- D. Legislation and Policy Development
- E. Connecticut Technical Education and Career System Board
- F. Connecticut State Colleges and Universities
- G. NASBE
- H. SERC

VII. Report of the Commissioner with Agency Update

- Update on Hartford Public Schools Fiscal Operations
- Update on Bridgeport Public Schools Action to Address District Needs
- Update on Special Education Systems Review
- District Spotlight on Workforce and Career Readiness
- Report on the Effectiveness of the Alliance District Program

VIII. Items Requiring Action

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| A. Approval of Commissioner's Network Extension Year 5 for McDonough Middle School, Hartford | Melissa Jenkins
Jennifer Webb |
| B. Approval of Emergency Educator Certification Endorsements for the 2026-27 School Year | Shuana Tucker
Kaylan Ricciardi |
| C. Adoption of CEPCB's 2026 Proposal Regarding Sunsetting Regulations | Jen Rodriguez
CEPCB Chair
Sinthia Sone-Moyano |
| D. Adoption of CEPCB's Legislative Language - Initial Certification via Alternate Routes | Jen Rodriguez
CEPCB Chair
Sinthia Sone-Moyano |
| E. CEPCB's Legislative Proposal – Reissuance of Initial Certification with Time Served | Jen Rodriguez
CEPCB Chair
Sinthia Sone-Moyano |

IX. Financial Matters

- X. Consent Agenda (Any item may be removed from the consent agenda at the request of a Board member)
 - A. Continuing Approval of Sacred Heart University Educator Preparation Programs Shuana Tucker
Lauren Tafrate
 - B. Continuing Approval of University of Bridgeport Educator Preparation Programs Shuana Tucker
Lauren Tafrate
 - C. Approval of the 2026-27 Concussion and Head Injury Annual Review for Coaches John Frassinelli

- XI. Items for Discussion
 - A. 2024-2025 Student Discipline in Connecticut Public Schools John Frassinelli
Ajit Gopalakrishnan

Committee Meeting

The Legislation and Policy Development Committee will meet on **March 4, 2026.**

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