

Connecticut State Board of Education

Hartford

Meeting of April 1, 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

- IV. Consideration of Minutes:
 - A. March 4, 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
- Carpe Noctem InvenTeam – Berlin High School
- North Hartford Ascend-A "Cradle-to-Career Pathway for School Success" – Paul Dworkin, M.D.

VIII. Items Requiring Action

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| A. Renewal of State Charter: Explorations, Winsted | Charles Hewes
Melissa Jenkins |
| B. Renewal of State Charter: Integrated Day Charter School, Norwich | Charles Hewes
Melissa Jenkins |
| C. Adoption of CEPCB's 2026 Proposed Revision of RCSA Section 10-145d-615 | Jen Rodriguez
CEPCB Chair
Sinthia Sone-Moyano |
| D. Adoption of CEPCB's Proposed Statutory and Regulatory Revisions
Establishing Alternative Pathway to Professional Educator Certificate | Jen Rodriguez
CEPCB Chair
Sinthia Sone-Moyano |
| E. Consideration of Certification for Terrence Collins #305 Elementary
Education, PreK-6 | Shuana Tucker
Kaylan Ricciardi |
| F. 2026 Paraeducator Recognition Day & Anne Marie Murphy
Paraeducator of the Year Semifinalists Recognition | Shuana Tucker
Jessica Ocasio |

IX. Financial Matters

X. Consent Agenda (Any item may be removed from the consent agenda at the request of a Board member)

- A. The Condition of Education in Connecticut 2024-25 Ajit Gopalakrishnan
- B. Approval of the Sudden Cardiac Arrest Awareness Annual Review for Coaches and Parent and Legal Guardian Sudden Cardiac Arrest Awareness Informed Consent Form John Frassinelli

XI. Items for Discussion

Adjourn

Committee Meeting

The Legislation and Policy Development Committee will meet on **April 1, 2026**.

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