STATE OF CONNECTICUT
EDUCATOR PREPARATION AND CERTIFICATION BOARD
February 9th, 2026
Microsoft Teams Event (Virtual)
1:00-4:00 p.m.

AGENDA

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The Board's Purpose:

Pursuant to Public Act 24-41

Sec. 10, there is established the Connecticut Educator Preparation and Certification Board. The board shall be responsible for modernizing and aligning educator preparation and certification to ensure that policies are optimized to attract and retain effective and diverse professionals for employment in the state's public schools.

Sec. 11. (a) The Connecticut Educator Preparation and Certification Board and the State Board of Education shall each have the authority to develop standards and proposals for regulations and legislation relating to educator preparation and certification.

The Board's Statutory Priorities for 2026:

➢ Sunsetting Regulations (July 1, 2026)
➢ Data review and proposal development to strengthen existing systems (July 1, 2026) (Sec. 12(b))
➢ EPP and ARC Program new/continuing program approval (July 1, 2026) (Sec.14)

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I. **Call to Order**

II. **Attendance - Roll Call**

III. **Review and Approval of Minutes**
   A. 1.12.2026 & 1.28.2026, Meeting Minutes

IV. **Public Comment/Participation**
   A. Virtual Meeting: Any submitted public participation via e-mail will be distributed to the board and made part of the public record.

V. **Announcements**
   A. Administrator Announcements - *Karen Colebut*
   B. Board Business - *Jen Rodriguez*

VI. **Updates**
   A. Education Committee (session updates) - *Jen Rodriguez*
   B. SBE Legislative Policy Development Committee - *Jen Rodriguez*
   C. CPRL Innovation Cohort Meeting - *Jen Rodriguez & Board Members*

       D. Projects -

            1. Program Approval - *CPRL Team*

            2. Birth to Grade 3 Cert. Standards/Guidelines Update - *Margaret Gustafson*

VII.   **Presentations/Q&A**

       A. Placeholder *(No Presentations for February)*

VIII.   **Items Requiring Action**

       A. Approval Proposals (Legislative/Regulations)

            1. Pathways to Professional (continuation) - *Kristen Basiaga*

       B. Re-evaluate the 2026 Calendar Virtual/In-person Configuration - *Jen Rodriguez*

IX.   **New Business:** Open Discussion - Idea Generation

       A. Statewide LEARN (Learn, Engage, Attend, Refer, Nurture) Teacher Preparation, Partnership and Onboarding Program - *Cynthia Ritchie*

       B. Board Certified Behavior Analysts- *Jen Rodriguez*

       C. Math Specialist Endorsement - *Cynthia Ritchie*

       D. Vision/Strategic Planning Committee - *Shannon Marimón & Hamish MacPhail*

X.   **Adjournment**

Parking (In-Person Meetings)

Visitors and public participants may park in the Morgan Street Garage (155 Morgan Street). Please note that there is a fee for parking. When exiting the garage, proceed across the street to the entrance to the 450 Columbus Blvd. building.

Access to Building

All visitors must sign in and provide a photo ID to the attendant at the Plaza lobby security desk.

Public Participation (In-Person meetings) - If you wish to speak during public participation and would like the Board to receive a copy of your prepared remarks, please bring 20 copies to the meeting. The sign-up sheet will be available at the entrance of the meeting room until 1:00pm. Each speaker will be limited to three minutes.

Public Participation - **via E-mail Submission (Virtual and In-Person meetings)** - Submit written communication via email no later than Friday, 3:00 p.m. prior to this agenda's CEPCB meeting. Written communications should be sent to the following email address: sde.certificationboard@ct.gov. All statements submitted for public participation will be filed in the Official File of the meeting in the Board Office. If you intend for your email to be considered public participation, please identify so in the subject of the email. Anonymous emails will not be shared. Please indicate your name and affiliation.