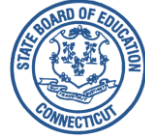




STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



Increasing Educator Diversity Policy Oversight Council Meeting

Thursday, January 8, 2026

9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Virtual Meeting:
<http://tiny.cc/b3nw001>

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Call to Order
2. Approval of October 9, 2025, Meeting Minutes
3. Connecticut Educator Preparation and Certification Board Update
4. 2025 Talent Office Updates
 - Aspiring Educator Scholarship
 - Educators Rising State Competition
 - Paraeducator to Special Education Certification Pathway
 - Agency Legislative Updates
 - [Last In First Out](#) (LIFO) Policy Report (WEPC)
 - National Council on Teacher Quality (NCTQ) [Dashboard](#) and [Brief: How Teacher Prep Can Accelerate Progress](#)
 - Paid Student Teaching
5. Future Meeting Schedule (all virtual):
 - April 9, 2026 – 9:00 am to 10:00 am
 - June 11, 2026 – 9:00 am to 10:00 am
6. Adjourn