



EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Wednesday, October 15, 2025
Roughrider Room, State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota

9:00 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Review of the [Supplementary Rules of Operation and Procedure of the North Dakota Legislative Management](#)

9:10 a.m. Comments by the Chairman regarding the responsibilities of the committee

DUAL-CREDIT STUDY

9:15 a.m. [Presentation](#) by the Legislative Council staff of a background memorandum regarding the committee's study of dual-credit in the state

9:30 a.m. [Presentation](#) by representatives of the North Dakota University System regarding:

- Dual-credit in the state, including which institutions may offer dual-credit courses and where dual-credit courses may be provided by the institutions;
- State funding provided for dual-credit through the higher education funding formula;
- Dual-credit enrollment by course for each institution offering dual-credit courses; and
- Dual-credit scholarships and scholarships awarded

9:50 a.m. [Presentation](#) by representatives of the [Bank of North Dakota](#) regarding financial assistance available for students enrolling in dual-credit courses

10:00 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) regarding:

- The department's role in [dual-credit courses](#) and other choice ready programs supported by the department; and
- The [impact](#) of dual-credit courses on the K-12 funding formula

10:20 a.m. Comments by interested persons

10:25 a.m. Committee discussion and staff directives

10:30 a.m. Break

OTHER COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

10:45 a.m. [Presentation](#) by the Legislative Council staff of a background memorandum regarding other committee responsibilities

11:00 a.m. [Presentation](#) by representatives of DPI, pursuant to North Dakota Century Code Section 15.1-06-08, regarding school accreditation rule waivers

11:15 a.m. Presentation by representatives of DPI, pursuant to Section 15.1-06-08.1, regarding education statute waivers

11:30 a.m. Presentation by representatives of DPI, pursuant to Section 15.1-06-08.2, regarding the innovative education program

11:45 a.m.	Comments by interested persons
11:55 a.m.	Committee discussion and staff directives
12:00 noon	Recess
1:00 p.m.	Presentation by representatives of DPI, pursuant to Section 15.1-07-35, regarding alternative curriculum proposals
1:30 p.m.	Comments by interested persons
1:40 p.m.	Presentation by representatives of the Kindergarten Through Grade Twelve Education Coordination Council, pursuant to Section 15.1-01-04(9), regarding the activities of the council
2:00 p.m.	Comments by interested persons
2:10 p.m.	Presentations by representatives of DPI and steering committee members, pursuant to Section 15.1-02-04, regarding updates to the strategic vision and a collaborative report of the strategic plans of each steering committee member entity receiving state education funds <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State Superintendent Kirsten Baesler, Department of Public Instruction - Introduction • Strategic Vision Framework presentation • PK-12 Education Strategic Vision 2023-2025 • PK-12 Education Strategic Vision 2025-2027 • 2025 Strategic Vision Report • Kay Larson – Quality Early Childhood Experiences • Pam Sagness – Support for Safe and Healthy Behaviors • Wayde Sick – Career Awareness, Exploration, and Development • Daniel Conn – Quality Education Personnel • Alyssa Martin – Quality Student Centered Instruction
2:50 p.m.	Comments by interested persons
3:10 p.m.	Committee discussion and staff directives
3:30 p.m.	Adjourn

A livestream of the meeting will be available to the public at: <https://video.ndlegis.gov>.

Committee Members

Representatives: Jim Jonas (Chairman), Collette Brown, Jay Fisher, Matthew Heilman, Scott Louser, Mike Motschenbacher, Eric J. Murphy, SuAnn Olson, David Richter, Mike Schatz

Senators: Michelle Axtman, Jeff Barta, Jose L. Castaneda, Ronald Sorvaag, Paul J. Thomas

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