Legislative Council
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North Dakota Legislative Management

Tentative Agenda

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EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Tuesday, September 15, 2026
Roughrider Room, State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota

9:00 a.m.	Call to order Roll call Consideration of the minutes of the April 1, 2026, meeting
9:05 a.m.	Presentation by representatives of the Department of Health and Human Services and Waterford Upstart regarding the status of the Waterford Upstart Program
9:25 a.m.	Comments by interested persons
9:30 a.m.	Presentation by representatives of the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) regarding school accreditation rule waivers pursuant to North Dakota Century Code Section 15.1-06-08
9:45 a.m.	Presentation by representatives of DPI regarding education statute waivers pursuant to Section 15.1-06-08.1
10:00 a.m.	Presentation by representatives of DPI regarding the Innovative Education Program pursuant to Section 15.1-06-08.2
10:15 a.m.	Comments by interested persons
10:25 a.m.	Presentation by a representative of the Kindergarten Through Grade Twelve Education Coordination Council regarding the activities of the council pursuant to Section 15.1-01-04(9)
10:45 a.m.	Comments by interested persons
11:00 a.m.	Presentation by representatives of DPI regarding the status of public charter schools in the state pursuant to Section 15.1-40-06
11:10 a.m.	Presentation by representatives of DPI and steering committee members regarding updates to the strategic vision and a collaborative report of the strategic plans of each steering committee member entity receiving state education funds pursuant to Section 15.1-02-04
11:25 a.m.	Presentation by representatives of DPI regarding proposed changes to the state accountability plan pursuant to Section 15.1-02-17
11:45 a.m.	Comments by interested persons
11:55 a.m.	Committee discussion
12:00 noon	Recess
1:00 p.m.	Presentation by representatives of DPI of a report from the Superintendent of Public Instruction regarding a comparison of academic performance of students participating in virtual instruction versus those not participating in virtual instruction and the use of the statewide prekindergarten through grade twelve strategic vision framework goals pursuant to Section 15.1-07-25.4

1:40 p.m.	Comments by interested persons
1:50 p.m.	Committee discussion and final motions
2:00 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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