## PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE

## STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

## **LCB File No. R041-10**

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EXPLANATION – Matter in italics is new; matter in brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §§1-5, NRS 385.080.

A REGULATION relating to education; prescribing the standards for college readiness; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

- **Section 1.** Chapter 389 of NAC is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 5, inclusive, of this regulation.
- Sec. 2. "College readiness" means the demonstrated proficiency of a pupil who graduates from high school in this State to participate and succeed in an academic program at a postsecondary educational institution which results in the completion of a degree program at the postsecondary educational institution.
- Sec. 3. A pupil enrolled in a 4-year course-work program in a high school in this State completes the standards for college readiness if the pupil:
- Successfully completes the courses required for an advanced diploma pursuant to NAC
  389.663; and
- 2. Successfully completes at least 2 years of course work in one foreign language or demonstrates proficiency to speak at least two languages.
- Sec. 4. The successful completion of the standards for college readiness set forth in section 3 of this regulation is a strong indication:

- 1. That the pupil is ready to participate successfully as a freshman who is enrolled in a postsecondary educational institution as a full-time student.
  - 2. That the pupil has:
- (a) Attained high academic achievement in the subject areas required for an advanced diploma pursuant to NAC 389.663;
- (b) Cognitive skills, including, without limitation, logical reasoning skills and linguistic expression skills, that are developed through achievement in the subject areas required for an advanced diploma pursuant to NAC 389.663;
  - (c) Ancillary academic skills relating to study habits and self-direction;
  - (d) An awareness of the expectations for behavior in an academic environment; and
- (e) Adequate test scores based upon the benchmark test scores established by the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada that should enable a pupil to avoid being placed in remedial classes as a postsecondary student.
- Sec. 5. The standards for college readiness set forth in section 3 of this regulation must be construed as prescribing the minimum level of academic attainment for the purposes of college readiness and may not be construed as:
- 1. Recommending that a pupil enroll in the minimum courses of study to demonstrate college readiness as set forth in section 3 of this regulation; or
- 2. Prescribing the standards for admission to an institution within the Nevada System of Higher Education or any other postsecondary educational institution.