



September 19, 2018

**Re: Notice to Nevada Connections Academy (“NCA”) Families Pursuant to NRS 388A.367**

Dear NCA Families:

NCA is required to notify NCA parents and legal guardians of recent reports issued by the Department of Education, in compliance with NRS 388A.367 (previously AB 49). A copy of this letter is also available on NCA’s website.

Under NRS 388A.367, NCA is required to notify NCA families that the Department of Education recently issued a rating of one star to NCA’s elementary school, middle school, as well as high school. NCA is also required to notify NCA families that NCA’s last graduation rate as administered by the Department of Education was less than 67 percent. The new law also requires NCA to notify families that, in the event NCA were to close (although the school is not contemplating closure and does not face closure proceedings) or adopt changes which the parent or legal guardian of an NCA student finds unacceptable, students are free to transfer to their respective zone school or any number of public charter schools throughout Nevada. Attached to this letter is a complete list of those alternate public options as reported by the Department of Education. *See* Attachment A.<sup>1</sup>

NCA is actively working to improve the rating and graduation rate that gave rise to this notice. Please be aware that, as required by the law, NCA has included on its upcoming board meeting agenda an item, during which NCA will discuss its ongoing efforts to improve issues which have resulted in the elementary school rating and the high school graduation rate. NCA invites NCA parents, guardians, students, and families to participate in this discussion by attending the board meeting, or, if unable to attend, submitting input and/or suggestions to NCA Superintendent Chris McBride at [cmcbride@nca.connectionsacademy.org](mailto:cmcbride@nca.connectionsacademy.org).

The public board meeting information is as follows:

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<sup>1</sup> Please note that, due to the virtual nature of the education NCA offers, NCA enrolls students across Nevada. Therefore, in the event a student would like to transfer to one of the public schools listed in the attachment, families would be advised to check with each school to find out whether the family is properly zoned to attend.

October 16, 2018  
6:30 PM

Held at the following location:  
Nevada Connections Academy  
555 Double Eagle Court,  
Suite 2000,  
Reno, NV 89521

And via teleconference:  
800-504-8071; 184-9889#

We look forward to receiving your input should you choose to participate in the board meeting. We are constantly striving to improve the education and experience of our students and their families at NCA, and your feedback is instrumental to that goal.

Please do not hesitate to contact me or another member of the school's administration with questions regarding this notice.

Sincerely,

Chris McBride, Ph.D.  
Superintendent, Nevada Connections Academy  
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Enclosure: Attachment A