

Board Summary

April 3, 2025 Board Meeting

The Utah State Board of Education:

- Updated its internal audit plan.
- Approved the LEA Annual Assurances Document.
- Approved an interagency data-sharing agreement with Utah State University's Center for School of the Future.

Board Updates Internal Audit Plan

The Utah State Board of Education (USBE) prioritized an [audit of the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind](#), including the financial position of the USDB, and added it to the Audit Plan before the USBE Advisory Committees Audit.

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Board Votes Against Proposed Resolution Regarding DEI

The Utah State Board of Education voted against a [resolution](#) calling for the elimination of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) programs in schools across the state.

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Board Votes to Forego Distribution of Letter of Intent on Department of Education's Dissolution

The Utah State Board of Education voted against distributing a [letter of intent](#) regarding the dissolution of the United States Department of Education.

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Board Makes Budget Reallocation Request

The Utah State Board of Education made [adjustments to the current budget](#), including reallocating \$155,000 for the Internal Audit department to hire one FTE for fiscal year 2026. The Board subsequently approved the Internal Audit department to use prior year carryforward funds to fund the FTE for the remainder of SFY 2025.

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Board Approves LEA Annual Assurances Document

The Utah State Board of Education approved the [LEA Annual Assurances document](#), which is updated annually. Some federal assurances have been moved to the consolidated pre-application in Utah Grants while others remained unchanged due to their requirements.

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Interagency Data Sharing Agreement with Utah State University's Center for School of the Future Approved

The Utah State Board of Education approved a data-sharing [agreement](#) with Utah State University's Center for School of the Future (CSF) following legislative action. CSF will use data from USBE to:

- Establish a teacher merit award identification system (TMAIS).
- Identify eligible teachers for the Excellence in Education and Leadership Supplement.
- Conduct statistical analysis of student assessment data.
- Partner with third-party data modeling contractors to process USBE data on behalf of CSF.

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New Administrative Rules, Amendments, and Repeals

The Utah State Board of Education approved, amended, or repealed the following administrative rules:

- [R277-632, At-Risk Add-On Funding Report](#). This rule is being created to clarify USBE's responsibilities to monitor district and charter schools use of funds under Section 53F-2-314.
- [R277-317, Incentive for National Board Certification](#). This rule is being updated to optimize timelines for bonus payments for educators while a new system for the National Board Certification bonus payments is being implemented to replace the Teacher Salary Supplement Program.
- [R277-121, Board Waiver of Administrative Rules](#). This rule is being updated following legislative requests to add more detail to the USBE waiver process for schools and LEAs applying for a waiver from board rule.
- [R277-801, Services for Students who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Blind, Visually Impaired, and Deaf-Blind](#). This rule is being amended to allow USDB to charge fees for services provided to LEAs following legislative changes.

Board Approves Consent Calendar

The Utah State Board of Education approved its consent calendar with an amendment to the meeting schedule. Meeting schedules are posted on the [USBE website](#) following approval.

Meeting Highlights for Friday's Committee Meetings

The Utah State Board of Education [Finance, Law and Licensing, and Standards and Assessments Committees](#) will meet on Friday, April 4. Any items approved in committee meetings will be heard by the full Board during its May meeting.

Finance Committee will meet virtually from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Meeting highlights include:

- Preliminary approval of [R277-407, School Fees](#).
- Preliminary repeal of [R277-725, Statewide Online Education Program Contractor Requirements](#).

Law and Licensing Committee will meet in a hybrid format from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Meeting highlights include:

- Preliminary approval of [R277-331, Stipends for Future Educators](#).
- Preliminary amending of [Board Policy 2005: Complaints Against Individual Board Members](#).

Standards and Assessment Committee will meet in a hybrid format from 9:15 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Meeting highlights include:

- Preliminary approval of [R277-474, School Instruction and Sex Education](#).
- Preliminary approval of [R277-920, School Improvement and Leadership Development](#).