

## **Lyon County School District Board Memo**

**Date:** May 27, 2025  
**To:** Board of School Trustees  
**From:** James Gianotti, Executive Director for Educational Services  
**Re:** Adult Education

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### **Recommendation**

That the Board of Trustees approve a report on Lyon County Adult Education.

### **Background Information**

Adult Education has grown from two locations with 3 employees (Fernley and Yerington) back in 2017 to four locations with 5 employees (Fernley, Silver Springs, Yerington, and Dayton) currently. The number of students enrolled has increased from approximately 130 in 2020-21 to more than 140 currently, with a peak of more than 150 in 2023-24. This is due to the successful completion of credits and the number of graduates that Lyon County Adult Education (LCAE) produces annually. LCAE Students have earned an average of more than 500 credits per year over the past five years.

LCAE works with students to determine their individual needs, the number of credits and courses they have completed previously and what they need to obtain in order to complete an Adult Diploma of High School Equivalency.

We are excited that the district now has the opportunity to establish a classroom space separate from the Dayton High School, so adults can access classes without having to be on the DHS campus.

These locations are of significant benefit to our communities as they assist adults with completing their diplomas and enable many to gain higher paying jobs, resulting in stronger communities. LCAE is the only free program in Lyon County for adults who did not graduate with a diploma. Adult education students are normally not financially stable, and the increased transportation cost is a factor in student enrollment. By opening sites in the major population centers of Lyon County, the adult education program can minimize the barriers that a student encounters when enrolling and pursuing their education.

We are proud of the growth of our LCAE program and look forward to continued growth.

### **Budget Considerations**

N/A

### **Discussed at Previous Meeting**

N/A

### **Attachment(s)**

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***Mission Statement** Lyon County School District fosters learning for life, empowers connected learners, promotes student ownership, and encourages discovery learning for success in a rapidly evolving world.*