NYE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT • BOARD OF TRUSTEES BRIEFING

Secondary Exam Guidance Framework



Follow-up from August 2026 Action • November 2026 Board Meeting

BACKGROUND & MANDATE

August Board Directives & Follow-Up

Completed: Weight Rebalance

Regulation 5620R officially updated to 40% Q1, 40% Q2, and 20% Semester Final Examination weight.

Current Action: Exam Framework

Clarify written expectations without eliminating alternate performance formats or compromising principal oversight.

DESIGN PRINCIPLES

Three Objectives for Refined Language

01

Encourage Writing

Elevate written academic evidence beyond passive optionality.

02

Preserve Flexibility

Allow presentations, CTE tasks, and labs where pedagogy requires.

03

Strengthen Oversight

Mandate advance principal verification for all alternative rubrics.

PROPOSED FRAMEWORK LANGUAGE

Adopted Exam Format Definition

> **"Teachers are strongly encouraged to include a written component to effectively assess student mastery, while maintaining flexibility to utilize alternate assessment formats when appropriate for the subject matter and with administrative approval."**

Implementation Safeguard: All rubrics must be shared with students in advance and approved by site administration.

ACTION ITEM & DISCUSSION

Discussion & Recommendation

- ✓ Rebalanced 40/40/20 weights confirmed
- ✓ Rigorous, flexible framework established