



2022 Policy Update

OIE Policy & Program Updates

September 19, 2022

General Effective Date: September 24, 2022

- Legislature adjourned Sine Die on June 25, 2022
- Bills without an emergency clause go into effect on the General Effective Date
- 2022 Legislative Summary can be found here: [**ADE 2022 Arizona Legislative Session Summary**](#)

Signed Legislation

Bill Number	Title	Summary
HB 2034	CTEDs; associate degrees	Allows CTEDs to offer accredited associate degrees for CTED program that are on the in-demand regional education list.
HB 2161	parental rights; schools; educational records	Entitles a parent access to written and electronic records of districts and charter schools that concern their child.
HB 2549	school library; review; policy	Directs district and charter school governing bodies to adopt procedures that provide parents access to a school's library collection and list of books and materials their child borrows, beginning January 1, 2023.

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HB 2495	schools; sexually explicit materials; prohibition	Prohibits public schools from referring students to or using sexually explicit materials unless the materials meet outlined criteria
HB 2632	civics test; passing score	Increases the passing score for the civics test from 60% to 70% and outlines civics test data that LEAs must report to ADE.
HB 2853	Arizona empowerment scholarship accounts; appropriation	Expands eligibility for the ESA Program to residents of this state who are eligible to enroll in a public school and do not otherwise qualify for the Program.
SB 1159	teacher certification; leadership preparation programs	Modifies teacher certification requirements, classroom-based preparation program eligibility requirements, and allows LEAs to apply to SBE to offer a leadership preparation program for the certification of school leadership positions.

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SB 1300	tribal college dual enrollment program	Allows participants of the Tribal College Dual Enrollment Program to offer courses to high schools outside of a reservation and includes books and instructional materials as allowable costs for compensation.
SB 1630	school buses; student transportation; vehicles	Allows LEAs or privately owned entities to use a motor vehicle designed to carry 11 to 15 passengers or designated as a type A or B school buses to transport students to and from home or school.

COVID-related Legislation

Bill Number	Title	Summary
HB 2086	DHS; school immunizations; exclusions	Exempts immunizations against the Human Papillomavirus and COVID-19 as a requirement for school attendance.
HB 2371	enforcement prohibition; vaccinations; requirements	Prohibits any governmental entity from requiring a person under 18 years of age to receive a vaccination for COVID-19 without the consent of the parent or guardian.
HB 2453	governmental entities; mask requirement; prohibition	Prohibits governmental entities from imposing any requirement to wear a mask or face covering anywhere on the entities' premises.
HB 2616	mask mandates; minors; parental consent	Prohibits this state, political subdivisions, governmental entities, school districts, and charter schools from requiring persons under 18 years of age to wear a mask without express parental consent.

FY 2023 Budget Provisions

Subject	Amount	Summary
Adult Education Programs	\$16.85 Million	Establishes the Continuing High School and Workforce Training Program, Adult Workforce Diploma Program, and Community College Adult Education Workforce Development Program.
Base Level Increase	\$526 Million	Increases base level funding by a total of 8.8%.
Special Education	\$100 Million	Increases special education funding (Group B weight for DD, ED, MIID, SLD, SLI, and OHI).
Teacher Compensation & State Equalization Tax Rate Funding	\$330 million	Eliminates teacher compensation and state equalization tax rate funding.
School Safety Program	\$50 Million	Increases funding for the School Safety Program to first address the wait list for school resource office positions, then left over funds can be allocated for school counselors and social workers.

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Office of Indian Education	\$5 Million	Appropriates funds for onetime (non-lapsing) distribution to the Office of Indian Education.
Code Writers Initiative Program	\$1 million	Appropriates funds for onetime Code Writers Initiative Program.
Free and Reduced-Price Lunch (FRPL) Group B Weight	\$50 million	Establishes Group B weight of 0.018 for children who are eligible for FRPL and other school programs dependent on poverty measures. (Grows to \$100 million by FY 25)
District & Charter Additional Assistance	\$60 million	Increases district and charter additional assistance amount per student count by ~\$55.



Thank You

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