



# A LETTER FROM ASBCS

**"To improve public education in Arizona by sponsoring charter schools that provide quality educational choices"**

## December Board Meeting Summary & Updates

### December Board Meeting Summary

The ASBCS December Board Meeting was held Monday, December 12, 2022. The Board's December meeting is the annual meeting at which new charter applications are brought before the Board as the final step in the application process.

#### **Congratulations to the charter applicants that were approved!**

See all Board actions taken at the December 2022 meeting [here](#).

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 09, 2023 at 9 am.

## Required Submissions: FY 2022 Financial and Compliance Audit Reports (ARS 15-914)

**School districts and charters are now able to submit financial and compliance audit report files to the Arizona Department of Education (ADE) to satisfy the new requirement in state law.**

Laws 2021, Chapter 7 revised ARS 15-914 requires that financial and compliance audit reports be submitted to the Arizona Department of Education and that the department make the reports available on its website.

[Click here for information and instructions.](#)

## Parental Rights Handbooks

From the Arizona Department of Education

During the 2020 Arizona Legislative Session, the Governor signed Senate Bill 1061 establishing A.R.S. § 15-249.16, which requires the Arizona Department of Education to develop and post statutory handbooks of parental rights. Additionally, each school district and charter school must prominently post a link to the statutory handbook of parental rights on a publicly accessible portion of its website. Per A.R.S. § 15-249.16, the handbook of parental rights must contain the following statutes:

- Title 1, chapter 6
- Section 15-102
- Section 15-110
- Section 15-113

- Section 15-117
- Section 15-351
- Section 15-721
- Section 15-722
- Section 15-730

In the 2022 Arizona Legislative Session, the Legislature passed several bills that amended one or more of the sections required to be included in the statutory handbook of parental rights. The Arizona Department of Education has revised the handbooks to accurately reflect the current versions of the statute and is distributing the revised parental rights handbooks to each public school for posting on its website. Please ensure that your school district or charter school has updated its website to link to the current versions of the parental rights handbooks.

[Arizona Parental Rights Handbook and Resources](#)



## Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching (PAEMST)

PAEMST is the Nation's Highest Honor for Teachers of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM, including Computer Science). This year's awards will honor science, technology, engineering, or mathematics teachers in grades 7-12.

Nominate an outstanding teacher by January 9, 2023. Applicants for 7-12th grade teachers are also open and must be completed by February 6, 2023.

For more information, contact one of our State Coordinators:

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[Apply or Nominate a Teacher Today!](#)

## PREPaRE Training

From the Arizona Department of Education

PREPaRE is a crisis prevention and intervention model that prepares educators and school-based mental health professionals to feel confident in their abilities when they fill specific roles and responsibilities during a crisis event. The ADE is holding various PREPaRE trainings across the State.

Please visit ADE's PREPaRE page found [HERE](#)

### PREPaRE Workshop 1, 3rd Edition

Date: January 3, 2023

Time: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Location: 220 W. Kortsen Rd. Casa Grande, AZ 85122

(Casa Grande Elementary School District Office)

### PREPaRE Workshop 2, 3rd Edition

Date: February 10 & 13, 2023

Time: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Location: 220 W. Kortsen Rd. Casa Grande, AZ 85122

(Casa Grande Elementary School District Office)

Register for this event here

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## Mandated Reporter Overview Training

From the Arizona Department of Child Safety

Hello,

Please find resources and training materials on mandatory reporting requirements for school leaders and educators from the [Arizona Department of Child Safety at Mandated Reporter Overview Training](#) | Arizona Department of Child Safety ([az.gov](#)).

These materials have been developed to help educators be trained on their responsibilities as mandatory reporters. They were developed per statute ([ARS 15-245](#)) by the Arizona Prosecuting Attorney's Advisory Council. The Arizona Department of Education must send these materials to public schools per statute.

Mandated Reporter Overview Training

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## Reminders

### **Next Regular Board Meeting**

Date: Monday, January 09, 2023

Time: 9:00 AM

Location: Virtual



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