The Nevada Children’s Commission

Mission: To facilitate and institutionalize collaboration, communication, and respect between the judicial system and its partners addressing the well-being of children and their families.

NOTE: YELLOW HIGHLIGHTS REFLECTS NOTES/SUGGESTIONS OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Goal 1: Collect and analyze data relevant to the well-being of children.

Objective 1: Gather and evaluate existing data and examine how that data is accessed and shared among the judicial system and its partners.
Juvenile Justice Strategy
Child Welfare Strategy
Behavioral Health Strategy
Court Improvement Program Strategy

Education Strategy
- Collect and report data from every school district (and charter schools) on students in foster care and their educational outcomes.
- Participate in the Nevada Foster Youth Higher Education Committee and support efforts to establish MOUs across various agencies to share data

Objective 2: Develop solutions to improve evidence-informed outcomes.
Juvenile Justice Strategy
Child Welfare Strategy
Behavioral Health Strategy
Court Improvement Program Strategy

Education Strategy

Objective 3: Develop solutions to improve sustainability of Children’s Commission strategies.
Juvenile Justice Strategy
Child Welfare Strategy
Behavioral Health Strategy
Court Improvement Program Strategy

Education Strategy
Goal 2: Encourage leadership, accountability, and appropriate oversight of the Juvenile Justice, Child Welfare, Behavioral Health, Education and Court Improvement systems, in order to improve the safety, permanency, and well-being of children and their families.

Objective 1: Identify what leadership, accountability and oversight measures are already in place in each system.
Juvenile Justice Strategy
Child Welfare Strategy
Behavioral Health Strategy
Court Improvement Program Strategy
Education Strategy
- Members of the Education Committee will participate in the Foster Care Stakeholders group that meets regularly
- Support the (re) establishment of the statewide Foster Care Stakeholders group for the purpose of sharing information and facilitating collaboration

Objective 2: Develop agreed upon state wide leadership, accountability and oversight performance measures.
Juvenile Justice Strategy
Child Welfare Strategy
Behavioral Health Strategy
Court Improvement Program Strategy
Education Strategy
- Support the (re) establishment of the statewide Foster Care Stakeholders group for the purpose of sharing information and facilitating collaboration
- Work with school districts (and the State Public Charter School Authority) to develop and implement a credit recovery plan (SB 147)

Objective 3: Establish a system or opportunity to regularly evaluate and discuss state-wide leadership, accountability and oversight performance measures.
Juvenile Justice Strategy
Child Welfare Strategy
Behavioral Health Strategy
Court Improvement Program Strategy
Education Strategy
- Support the (re) establishment of the statewide Foster Care Stakeholders group for the purpose of sharing information and facilitating collaboration
- Work with school districts (and the State Public Charter School Authority) to develop and implement a credit recovery plan (SB 147)
Goal 3: Support the improvement of children’s transition into adulthood.

**Objective 1: Improve educational outcomes.**
Juvenile Justice Strategy  
Child Welfare Strategy  
Behavioral Health Strategy  
Court Improvement Program Strategy  
Education Strategy  
- Identify and recommend judicial practices to help achieve better educational outcomes for children and youth in foster care  
- Require courts to include identity of the education decision maker in relevant court orders. Develop standard language to be included in court orders regarding education decision maker and decision-making rights, including emergency orders.  
- Work with school districts (and the State Public Charter School Authority) to develop and implement a credit recovery plan (SB 147)  
- Collect and report data from every school district (and charter schools) on students in foster care and their educational outcomes.

**Objective 2: Improve independent living outcomes.**
Juvenile Justice Strategy  
Child Welfare Strategy  
Behavioral Health Strategy  
Court Improvement Program Strategy  
Education Strategy

**Objective 3: Improve vocational outcomes.**
Juvenile Justice Strategy  
Child Welfare Strategy  
Behavioral Health Strategy  
Court Improvement Program Strategy  
Education Strategy
GOAL 4: Promote, expand and share best and promising practices and resources.

Objective 1: Promote awareness of and develop a culture and practice among the judiciary, legal community, and the public around trauma responsive care.
- Juvenile Justice Strategy
- Child Welfare Strategy
- Behavioral Health Strategy
- Court Improvement Program Strategy
- Education Strategy

Objective 2: Identify the definition of evidence-based practices.
- Juvenile Justice Strategy
- Child Welfare Strategy
- Behavioral Health Strategy
- Court Improvement Program Strategy
- Education Strategy

Objective 3: Promote the implementation of identified practices throughout the system.
- Juvenile Justice Strategy
- Child Welfare Strategy
- Behavioral Health Strategy
- Court Improvement Program Strategy
- Education Strategy
GOAL 5: Develop, support, and fund high quality training.

**Objective 1: Identify and collect existing training resources in a central location.**
Juvenile Justice Strategy  
Child Welfare Strategy  
Behavioral Health Strategy  
Court Improvement Program Strategy  
Education Strategy  
  - Develop a matrix that identifies training and resources available, organized by age of individual.

**Objective 2: Identify gaps in training resources.**
Juvenile Justice Strategy  
Child Welfare Strategy  
Behavioral Health Strategy  
Court Improvement Program Strategy  
Education Strategy  
  - Conduct a needs assessment/gap analysis of training resources in Nevada  
  - Identify multi-disciplinary training needs regarding education outcomes, including for the judiciary and for attorneys who represent DFS, children and parents

**Objective 3: Develop and implement an ideal training plan to support and fund new and existing trainings.**
Juvenile Justice Strategy  
Child Welfare Strategy  
Behavioral Health Strategy  
Court Improvement Program Strategy  
Education Strategy