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Nevada Digital Learning Collaborative (NvDLC)
Presentation to the Commission on Services for Persons with Disabilities
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NvDLC Mission and Goals

Mission: To ensure educators, families, and students receive equitable access to and support with digital learning across Nevada.

Goals:

- Build educator capacity for increased digital teaching and learning
- Create comprehensive K-12 courses for all educators and students to access through a statewide learning management system (LMS)
- Decrease the digital divide through access to devices and connectivity

Motto:

"Learning anywhere…anytime…for everyone!"

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NvDLC and the State Plan for the Improvement of Pupils (STIP)

Goal 1 Access to Quality:

Provide quality professional learning

Goal 2 Transparency:

Engage in effective communication

Goal 3 Equity:

Increase access to STEM learning

Goal 6 Transparency:

Cultivate a public-friendly Department

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NvDLC Website

Month June 2020, Views 1,556, Visitors 302, Views/Visitor 5.15

Month July 2020, Views 11,907, Visitors 3,171, Views/Visitor 3.75

Month August 2020, Views 13,052, Visitors 3,580, Views/Visitor 3.65

Month September 2020, Views 4,759, Visitors 1,417, Views/Visitor 3.36

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Search Resources

Go to the NvDLC Website

Click on Resources to view Digital Learning Resources for Educators, Families, and Students

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Search Resources – part 2

Go to NvDLC Website Resources

Under SEARCH CATEGORIES, click on the arrow next to Select Category to search for a specific topic

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Who are the Digital Engineers?

Nevada's first-ever Digital Engineers (DE) cohort is comprised of 80 educators, including district and school administrators. The Digital Engineers work collaboratively with NDE and the Regional Professional Development Programs (RPDPs) to develop and facilitate the following:

- Digital and blended learning pedagogy and tools
- Platform expertise
- Curriculum and content
- Professional learning opportunities for educators
- Support and resources for families

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DE Representation Across Nevada

Districts/Schools, Number of Digital Engineers

Carson City, 3

Clark, 37

Charter Schools, 3

Churchill, 1

Douglas, 2

Elko, 3

Humboldt, 1

Lyon, 1

Mineral, 1

Private Schools, 3

Washoe, 15

Regional Professional Development Programs (RPDPs), 5 including representation from all three regions

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Digital Engineers' Deliverables include digital tools, videos, etc.

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Professional Learning Opportunities

- NDE Website
    - o Calendar of professional learning opportunities
- Administrator Monthly Webinars
- Administrator Virtual Professional Learning Communities/Forum
    - o 3rd Wednesday of every month
- Bi-monthly podcast sessions for educators
- Monthly webinars and video learning for educators
- Monthly videos for parent and family engagement
- Monthly Twitter chats on digital learning
    - o Last Tuesday of every month
- Growing Digital Learning in Nevada Symposium
    - o September 26, 2020 – more than 200 participants! Resources on website
    - o Date TBD, 2021

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Discovery Education

- All teachers (refers to teachers in school districts and charter schools), students, and parents have access to Discovery Education
- Technology Integration
    - o All 17 school districts and charter schools have opted in and launched
    - o Includes Nevada Academic Content Standards for all core subject areas
    - o Microsite development for Nevada – provides professional learning schedule and resources
- Professional Learning
    - o Statewide training began the week of August 3, 2020
        - ▪ 350 administrators, curriculum leads, and instructional coaches have participated in onboarding to Discovery Education
        - ▪ Training for classroom teachers began August 10, 2020

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Canvas Learning Management System (LMS)

- All teachers (refers to teachers in school districts and charter schools) have access to Canvas
- Technology Integration
    - o 6 school districts and 14 charter schools have opted in for full integration during the first year of implementation

- o   Nevada State Consortium available for sharing of instructional materials and curricular resources
  - o   Catalog development for statewide access to professional development/training
- Professional Learning
  - o   Statewide training has begun for educators and district leaders

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NvDLC Partnerships

This list represents a sample of current partnerships. The goal of the NvDLC is to continue to expand partnerships in support of educators, students, and families.

- Regional Professional Development Programs (RPDPs): professional learning and engagement with Digital Engineers
- State Library System: sharing of databases, programs, materials, and hotspots for students, parents, and families
- Apple: content creation, Apple Courses, online resources
- Gates Venture Foundation: two online courses in Big History and World History and professional learning
- Microsoft: professional learning for educators
- Public Education Foundation: professional learning for educators and family engagement support
- OnePlace NV: support tool for resources

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Communication

- NDE Newsletter: monthly updates
- Social media: #NVdigitallearning, #NvDLC, #Digitalengineers
- Subscribe to the Nevada Ready YouTube Channel
- Subscribe to the NvDLC website

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Click here to view NvDLC Social Media Communication Links

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Questions

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