

Nevada System of Higher Education

2027 - 2029

Biennial State Budget Process & Priorities

NSHE Board of Regents Meeting

May 21, 2026

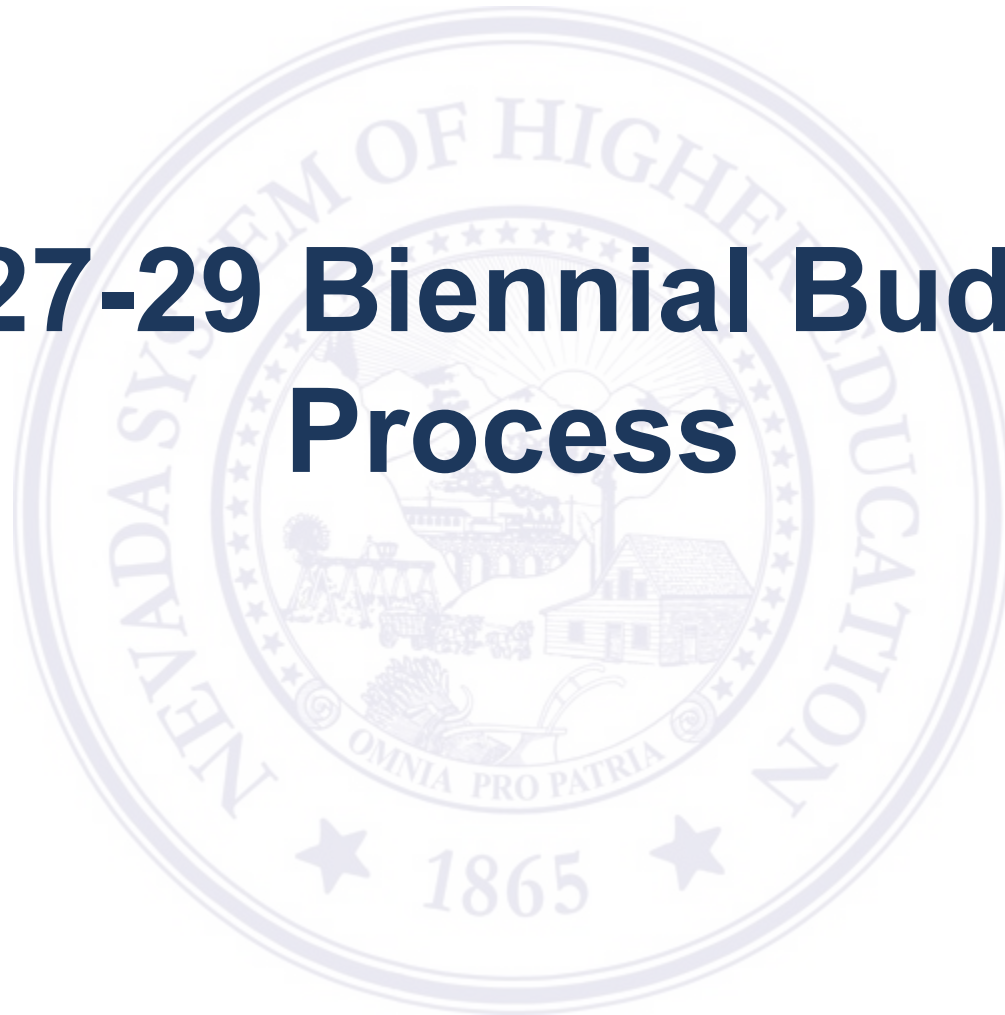


Areas for Discussion Today

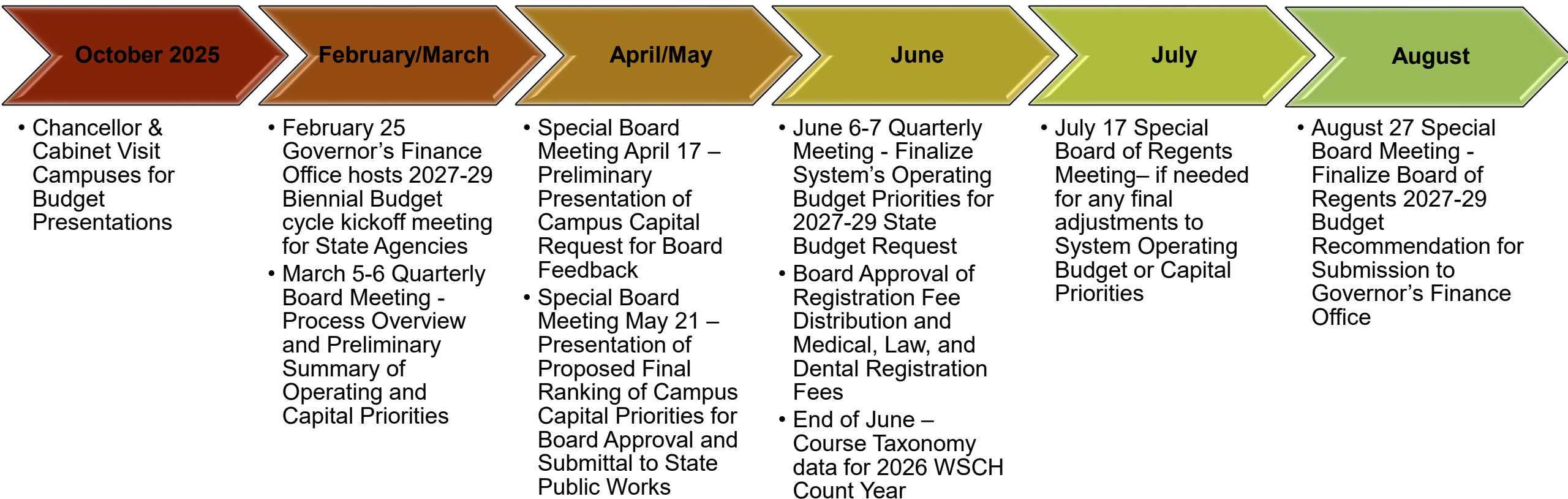
- NSHE Budget Preparation Process Timeline
- Institution Budget Enhancement Requests
 - Priority Areas Identified at March and April Board Meetings
 - Presenting Requests by Areas of Focus for Consideration
 - Direction for June Meeting



2027-29 Biennial Budget Process



Timeline for the 2027-29 Biennial Budget Request



The background features a large, faded circular seal of the Nevada System of Higher Education. The seal contains the text "NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION" around the top and "1865" at the bottom. In the center, there is a depiction of a landscape with a building, a windmill, and a sunburst, with the motto "OMNIA PRO PATRIA" below it.

2027-29 NSHE Operating Priorities

Governor's 3-Year Plan Priorities

- Education and Workforce
- Economic Growth and Business Development
- Health and Wellness
- Public Safety and Infrastructure
- Governmental Support Services
- Rural and Natural Resources

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Alignment



2027-29 Operating Budget Priorities: Adequacy of Total Funding

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- Continuation of Base Funding Components and Caseload
- Priority Areas Identified at March and April Meetings
- Requests by Area of Focus (No Recommended Priority Order):
 - Public Safety and Security
 - Student Success and Academic Support
 - Facilities and Operational Support
 - Healthcare Workforce Development
 - Teacher Pipeline and Education Workforce
 - Student Access and Affordability
 - Technology and Digital Initiatives
 - Specialized Program and Research Areas



2027-29 Budget Priorities: Fee Waivers Student Success and Academic Support

- Native American (NRS 396.5449) and National Guard (NRS 396.544)

2027-29 Biennium Total Request: \$22.8 million

Institution	Native American	National Guard	Total
GBC	\$ 50,865	\$ 656,900	\$ 707,765
UNLV	\$ 3,776,009	\$ 3,876,397	\$ 7,652,406
UNR	\$ 7,073,819	\$ 3,731,559	\$ 10,805,378
CSN	\$ 361,769	\$ 661,532	\$ 1,203,301
TMCC	\$ 908,790	\$ 608,519	\$ 1,517,309
NSU	\$ 138,436	\$ 372,391	\$ 510,827
WNC	\$ 492,236	\$ 93,586	\$ 585,822
Total:	\$ 13,407,959	\$ 9,394,849	\$ 22,802,808



2027-29 Budget Priorities: Small Institution Factor Facilities and Operational Support

- Fund Small Institution Factor at 100% of 2025 Policy Changes

Net increases resulting from budgetary policy changes approved during the 2025 Legislative Session for the small institution factor were funded at 20% in FY26 and 40% in FY27.

Legislatively Approved Small SIF Funding for FY26 and FY27 Compared to Full SIF Calculated FY27 Amount Resulting From Policy Changes

Institution	FY26 Funding	FY27 Funding	FY27 SIF at 100%
GBC	\$ 902,458	\$ 1,195,726	\$ 2,015,651
WNC	\$ 183,547	\$ 386,035	\$ 964,973



2027-29 Budget Priorities: Public Safety and Security

➤ Safety and Security Operations Including Sworn Personnel (\$32.9 million)

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| ▪ UNLV | \$ 10,785,037 | ▪ UNR | \$ 5,600,000 |
| ▪ CSN | \$ 2,500,000 | ▪ TMCC | \$ 1,000,000 |
| ▪ WNC | \$ 1,550,000 | ▪ NSU | \$ 1,366,000 |
| ▪ GBC | \$ 10,120,000 | | |

➤ Cybersecurity/Technology Infrastructure (\$28.0 million)

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| ▪ UNLV | \$ 16,300,000 | ▪ UNR | \$ 9,700,000 |
| ▪ WNC | \$ 604,900 | ▪ NSU | \$ 634,000 |
| ▪ GBC | \$ 800,000 | | |



2027-29 Budget Priorities: Student Success and Academic Support

- Increase Number of Advisors to 350:1 Ratio **\$ 5,920,000**
 - CSN (Current Ratio: 631:1) - \$ 5,320,000
 - GBC (Current Ratio: 480:1) - \$ 600,000
- Additional Faculty for Corequisite Math Instruction: CSN **\$ 1,640,000**
- Increase Dual Enrollment Programming : CSN **\$ 8,700,000**
- Athlete Support/Funding Equity: UNLV/UNR **\$ 15,000,000**
 - UNLV - \$ 5,000,000 ▪ UNR - \$ 10,000,000
- Student Wellness Services: NSU **\$ 500,000**
- Mental Health Resources: GBC **\$ 166,000**



2027-29 Budget Priorities: Facilities and Operational Support

- Inflation on Caseload (SB 427 - 2025 Session) **\$ 9,721,776**
 - UNLV \$ 4,325,366
 - CSN \$ 1,963,392
 - TMCC \$ 2,203,368
 - WNC \$ 938,124
 - NSU \$ 291,526

- O&M Funding for New Space **\$ 8,300,000**
 - UNLV \$ 3,100,000
 - UNR \$ 5,200,000



2027-29 Budget Priorities: Healthcare Workforce Development

- Formula Budgets – Increase Course Weight for Nursing, Allied Health, Health Professionals (Health Cluster: 51) **\$ 74,643,334**
- Graduate Medical Education: UNLV, UNR **\$ 19,000,000**
 - UNLV \$ 10,000,000 ▪ UNR \$ 9,000,000
- Prosthetics and Orthotics Program: UNLV **\$ 4,024,300**
- Rural Dentistry Program: UNLV **\$ 7,605,809**
- College of Veterinary Funding: UNR **\$ 6,000,000**



2027-29 Budget Priorities: Healthcare Workforce Development

- Behavioral Health Program: UNLV \$ 2,300,000
- Dental Cleft Palate and Craniofacial Clinic: UNLV \$ 1,500,000
- Social Work Workforce Expansion: UNR \$ 3,000,000
- Continuation of Nursing Expansion One Shot \$ 20,000,000



2027-29 Budget Priorities:

Teacher Pipeline and Education Workforce

- Teacher Pipeline Support: NSU \$ 1,000,000
- Teacher Preparation and Apprentice Programs: UNLV \$ 4,000,000
- Collegiate Academy Teacher Scholarships: UNR \$ 500,000
- Collegiate Academy for Title I Students: UNR \$ 2,200,000



2027-29 Budget Priorities: Student Access and Affordability

- Reduce Textbook Costs: NSU **\$ 550,000**
- Transportation: NSU **\$ 1,000,000**
- Food and Housing Insecurity: **\$ 22,000,000**
 - \$ 1,000,000 for NSU; \$21,000,000 for UNLV
- Silver State Opportunity Grant Increase: CSN **\$ 1,200,000**
- StepUp and StartUp: UNLV **\$ 1,778,571**



2027-29 Budget Priorities: Technology and Digital Initiatives

- Digital Wolf Pack Initiative: UNR \$ 10,000,000
- Online Learning Initiative: UNR \$ 2,050,000



2027-29 Budget Priorities: Specialized Program and Research Areas

- Nevada Water Initiative: DRI **\$ 4,000,000**
- Knowledge Fund: UNR **\$ 11,000,000**
- Prison Program Expansion: CSN, GBC, WNC **\$ 3,798,000**
 - CSN \$ 1,630,000
 - GBC \$ 1,060,000
 - WNC \$ 1,108,000



2027-29 Budget Priorities: Specialized Program and Research Areas

- Cloud Seeding: DRI \$ 1,500,000
- Thomas & Mack Legal Clinic: UNLV \$ 1,000,000
- Commercial Drivers License Program: GBC \$ 800,000
- WINN Funding: GBC & CSN \$ 5,000,000
- Workforce Investment Fund Development: \$ 6,000,000
 - TMCC & NSU



2027-29 Budget Priorities Summary

NSHE State Budget Requests by Area	UNLV	UNR	NSU	CSN	GBC	TMCC	WNC	DRI	NSHE Biennial Total
Public Safety and Security	\$ 27,085,037	\$ 15,300,000	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 10,920,000	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 2,154,900	-	\$ 60,959,937
Student Success and Academic Support	12,652,406	20,805,378	1,010,827	16,683,301	1,473,765	1,517,309	585,822	-	54,728,808
Facilities and Operational Support	7,425,366	5,200,000	291,526	1,963,392	-	2,203,368	938,124	-	18,021,776
Healthcare Workforce Development ¹	53,116,593	32,268,250	9,720,506	10,881,482	2,625,278	7,855,304	1,606,030	-	138,073,443
Teacher Pipeline and Education Workforce	4,000,000	2,700,000	1,000,000	-	-	-	-	-	7,700,000
Student Access and Affordability	22,778,571	-	2,550,000	1,200,000	-	-	-	-	27,528,571
Technology and Digital Initiatives	-	12,050,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	12,050,000
Specialized Program and Research Areas	1,000,000	11,000,000	4,000,000	5,630,000	2,860,000	2,000,000	1,108,000	5,500,000	33,098,000
TOTAL:	\$ 128,057,973	\$ 99,323,628	\$ 20,572,859	\$ 38,858,175	\$ 17,879,043	\$ 14,575,981	\$ 6,392,876	\$ 5,500,000	\$ 351,160,535

¹ The total for the Healthcare Workforce Development area, as well as the biennium total includes \$20M for the continuation of the Nursing expansion one shot. (SB 498, 2025 Session).



Questions?

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