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Via email

Kerstin Kramer, Superintendent
Tahoe Truckee Unified School District
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Re: Case Matter No. 2025-0123

Dear Superintendent Kramer:

In its Investigation Report dated September 29, 2025, the California Department of Education (CDE) determined that the District's participation in the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association (NIAA) violates California Education Code 221.5(f), and assigned these corrective actions to the District:

1. By November 30, 2025, the District must present to the Direct Investigations Office its plan for transitioning out of NIAA effective no later than the start of the 2026-2027 school year. This shall include a plan to transition to the CIF [California Interscholastic Federation] or any other athletic organization that complies with California state law and specifically EC [Education Code] 221.5(f).
2. By April 30, 2026, the District must present to the Direct Investigations Office confirmation that it has transitioned out of NIAA effective no later than the start of the 2026-2027 school year.

On December 12, 2025, we received the District's submission of evidence for Corrective Action 1. The District proposes that it will "legally" join CIF on July 1, 2026, but "operationally" continue to participate in NIAA for 2026-2027 and 2027-2028. This plan does not satisfy Corrective Action 1, because it does not include "transition[ing] out of NIAA effective no later than the start of the 2026-2027 school year."

It is our understanding from communication with CIF that there remains time to join and meaningfully participate in CIF for 2026-2027. Please submit a revised response to Corrective Action 1 by no later than January 5, 2026. If your revised response proposes that the District remain in NIAA next year for tackle football, please confirm that under NIAA rules the District will be able to accommodate students of any gender or gender identity in that sport.

Sincerely,

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