



## **Negotiated Rulemaking Committee**

**Session #1 and Session #2**

**May 19, 2026 and June 2, 2026**

**3:30 pm**

[Virtual link for May 19](#) | [Virtual link for June 2](#)

**Purpose:** The Montana Office of Public Instruction (OPI) is charged with establishing an independent negotiated rulemaking committee (NRC). The NRC will consider issues to reach consensus on the proposed amendments to Chapter 55, to update the duties of the new Class 9 Special Education Technician, and update the graduate requirements outlined in ARM 10.55.805. The negotiated rulemaking process is required by §20-7-101, Montana Code Annotated (MCA).

### **Meeting Outcomes:**

- Confirm the Negotiated Rulemaking Facilitator and Establish Committee Members
  - Proposed Facilitator- Aislinn Brown
  - Committee Members
- Begin rulemaking process through consensus for Chapter 55, Special Education Technician Duties, and special education graduation requirements
- Determine economic impact and if there is a need for an Economic Impact Survey
- Consider public comment

### **Agenda:**

1. Welcome, Introductions, Attendance,
2. Facilitator confirmation
3. Committee confirmation
4. Practice consensus
5. Review Negotiated Rulemaking roles, responsibilities, and process
6. Background information
7. Consensus Building on proposed standards for ARM 10.55.805
  - a. Graduation requirements
8. Consensus Building on proposed standards for ARM 10.55.715
  - a. Special education technician job duties
9. Summary and Next Steps

10. Determine Economic Impact and survey needs

11. Open Public Comment

*Public comment can be made at the end of each rulemaking session or by emailing [christy.mock-stutz@mt.gov](mailto:christy.mock-stutz@mt.gov) by 8:30 the morning of rulemaking sessions.*

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