

REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT on Private, Denominational, or Parochial Schools

Purpose and Procedures:

Nebraska statutes require that any private, denominational, or parochial school not otherwise inspected by an area or diocesan representative holding an administrative and supervisory certificate shall be inspected by the superintendent of the high school district and its affiliated territory in which any private, denominational, or parochial school is located to determine observance of provisions 79-1601 to 79-1607. Following such inspection, the superintendent shall file the following report with the Nebraska Department of Education, section of Accreditation and School Improvement:

NAME OF SCHOOL _____ SPONSORED BY: _____
(Church or Independent Group)

COUNTY/DISTRICT: _____ CITY: _____ STREET: _____

The following report is submitted in accordance with the provisions of the Nebraska School Laws, Section 79-1601-07, governing the inspection of Private, Denominational and Parochial Schools. *(See reverse side)*

1. All teachers and administrators have registered their certificates with the school where they are employed (79-804 (1)).
 YES NO
2. The superintendent or administrator of the school has endorsed the teacher or administrative certificate and recorded the date of the registration (79-804 (1)). YES NO
3. School is in session for at least 1032 hours (elementary) and/or 1080 (high school) and/or 400 hours (kindergarten only) per school year. YES NO
4. Attendance records and records of student achievement of each child are maintained and are on file in the school.
 YES NO

If NO, explain: _____

5. The school's curriculum includes the following subjects as listed in **RULE 14** (check appropriate boxes):

<input type="checkbox"/> Language Arts	<input type="checkbox"/> Social Studies	<input type="checkbox"/> Health	<input type="checkbox"/> Art
<input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics	<input type="checkbox"/> Science	<input type="checkbox"/> Physical Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Music

6. General Comments: _____

This is to certify that I have visited this school and verify the school's compliance with the Nebraska School Laws as reported above.

Signature of Superintendent

Date of Visit: _____ Length of Visit: _____

ARTICLE 16 - PRIVATE, DENOMINATIONAL, OR PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS

79-1601. PRIVATE, DENOMINATIONAL, OR PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS; LAWS APPLICABLE.

(1) Except as provided in subsection (2) through (6) of this section, all private, denominational, and parochial schools in the State of Nebraska, and all teachers employed or giving instruction therein, shall be subject to and governed by the provisions of general school laws of the state so far as the same apply to the grades, qualifications, and certification of teachers and promotion of pupils. All private, denominational, and parochial schools shall have adequate equipment and supplies, and shall be graded the same and shall have courses of study for each grade conducted in such schools substantially the same as those given in the public schools where the children attending would attend in the absence of such private, denominational, or parochial schools.

(2) All private, denominational, or parochial schools shall either comply with the accreditation or approval requirements prescribed in section 79-318 or, for those schools which elect not to meet accreditation or approval requirements, the requirements prescribed in section 79-318 and subsections (2) through (6) of this section. Standards and procedures for approval and accreditation shall be based upon the program of studies, guidance services, the number and preparation of teachers in relation to the curriculum and enrollment, instructional materials and equipment, library facilities and materials, and health and safety factors in buildings and grounds. **Source:** Laws, 1919. . . 1999, LB 813, § 55.

(3) The provisions of subsections (3) through (6) of this section shall apply to any private, denominational, or parochial school in the State of Nebraska which elects not to meet state accreditation or approval requirements. . . . **Source:** Laws, 1991 . . . 1999, LB 813, § 55.

79-1605. PRIVATE, DENOMINATIONAL, OR PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS; INSPECTION BY PUBLIC SCHOOL OFFICIAL; WHEN REQUIRED. The superintendent of the high school district and its affiliated territory in which any private, denominational, or parochial school is located, which school is not otherwise inspected by an area or diocesan representative holding a Nebraska Administrative and Supervisory Certificate, shall inspect such schools and report to the proper officers any evidence of failure to observe any of the provisions of sections 79-1601 to 79-1607. The Commissioner of Education when in his or her judgment it is deemed advisable, may appoint a public school official other than such superintendent, including a member of the State Department of Education, for such inspections. Such appointee shall hold a Nebraska Administrative and Supervisory Certificate. The State Board of Education shall require the superintendents and appointed public school officials to make such inspections at least twice a year, and the school officers of such schools and the teachers giving instruction in such schools shall permit such inspection and assist and cooperate in the making of the same. **Source:** Laws, 1919. . . 1999, LB 272 § 14.

79-1606. PRIVATE, DENOMINATIONAL, OR PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS; NONCONFORMITY WITH SCHOOL LAW; PENALTY. In case any private, denominational, or parochial school, after a final determination by the proper authorities under sections 79-1601 to 79-1607, fails, refuses, or neglects to conform to and comply with such sections, no person shall be granted or allowed a certificate to teach in such school and the pupils attending such school shall be required to attend the public school of the proper district as provided by law in like manner as though there were no such private, denominational, or parochial school. Full credit for certification under the law shall be given all teachers who have taught in private, denominational, or parochial schools the same as though they had taught in public schools. **Source:** Laws. 1919 . . . 1996, LB 900 § 1009

VIOLATIONS; PENALTY. Any person violating any of the provisions of sections 79-1601 to 79-1606 shall be guilty of a Class III misdemeanor. **Source:** Laws, 1919 . . . 1996, LB 900, § 1010

79-381. STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION; POWERS; DUTIES. . . . Source: Laws, 1953 . . . 1999, LB 813, § 6)