Editorial: Nevada should end adjusted diplomas

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Nevada's education system sets up students with disabilities for failure.

A principal issue driving this is the availability of "adjusted diplomas." These glorified certificates of attendance are enshrined in state law, and yet they have zero value in the real world beyond allowing families to see their children walk across a stage.

According to Siobhan McAndrew's two-year investigation into the Washoe County School District's special education programs, Nevada ranks worst in the nation for graduating students with disabilities largely because of these alternative diplomas.

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