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**Subject:** 2025 Preliminary School & District Performance Frameworks Ready for Review  
(Embargoed until September 3)

Hello Superintendents and Accountability Contacts --

This communication is to let you know that your preliminary School and District Performance Framework reports are now available to [district accountability contacts](#) via Syncplicity. Files are located in the 'Accountability\_Contact' folder (File path: 'Performance Framework' -> 'Prelim\_2025\_Frameworks' -> '2025\_Preliminary\_Reports'). To log-in to Syncplicity go to: <https://my.syncplicity.com/>. For issues accessing the files, contact [accountability@cde.state.co.us](mailto:accountability@cde.state.co.us). The purpose of these preliminary reports is to provide you with an overview of school and district performance based on statewide measures. In addition to other local measures of performance, these reports can provide actionable information to identify bright spots or target interventions.

**All 2025 Preliminary Performance Framework information is embargoed until September 3 when CDE releases this information publicly.** See updated accountability timeline at end of this communication.

The preliminary ratings will be available publicly on the [performance framework results](#) webpage and [data dashboards](#) at the end of the day on **September 3**. As a courtesy to other districts as they prepare for the release of their preliminary ratings, we ask that you refrain from releasing your frameworks publicly until the embargo period ends. You may choose to share your district's preliminary results publicly with your staff, but we ask you to refrain from sharing with your local board, media or others until the embargo ends next week.

The tentative schedule to publish finalized framework ratings publicly is:

- November 2025 (after the 11/12-13 state board meeting) for districts and schools not participating in request to reconsider.
- December 2025 (after the 12/10-11 state board meeting) for districts and schools participating in request to reconsider.

**[Required Action] Accreditation Form.** Note that the framework reports are intended to inform the accreditation plan type and have implications for future work (e.g., improvement planning, grant eligibility). The reports are considered preliminary, and **all districts** must complete the Accreditation Form (**now available** in the Accreditation Portal within the [UIP/ACI online system](#)) by **September 26** to indicate their agreement with the district rating and school plan types, or to indicate intention to participate in request to reconsider. In some cases, districts may choose to supply additional evidence that influences school plan types and district accreditation ratings. If this is the case, we will work with your district through the [request to reconsider process](#).

**[Possible Action] Unified Improvement Planning.** The pre-populated requirements will be updated with the preliminary performance framework data and other relevant program information (i.e., state and federal requirements, assurances) over the next couple of weeks. Districts and schools are required to submit their Unified Improvement Plan by **October 15**. Beginning in the 2025-26 school year, all users of the online template will use the [new streamlined version](#) for their submission. Newly identified schools or those engaging the request process can request a submission deadline of January 15, see [the guidance](#) for additional detail. [Additional planning resources](#) are available including [strategy guides](#) and the [quality criteria](#). For general questions and support, contact [uiphelp@cde.state.co.us](mailto:uiphelp@cde.state.co.us).

**[Possible Action] Parent Notification and Public Hearing – Action Needed within 30 Days.** For any districts with schools that received Priority Improvement or Turnaround plan type, this is a reminder that the parent notification and public hearing process has a fairly tight timeline. Parents must be notified within 30 days of receiving the plan type; the public hearing must be scheduled no sooner than 30 days after notification. For more information see the [Parent Notification and Public Hearing Requirements](#).

**[Possible Action] Teaching and Learning Conditions Colorado (TLCC) - Request for Input**

School and district leaders, CDE is looking for volunteers to participate in a 45-60 minute focus group to provide feedback on the upcoming administration of the TLCC survey. Your input or your staff's (e.g., principals) input will be used to guide survey item updates to

ensure the survey results will provide you with useful information. The feedback session will be 45-60 minutes early morning or late afternoon the second or third week of September. It will be a confidential focus group session (via Zoom) with our partners at CU Denver, [follow this link to identify times that would work for you](#).

### **[Informational] Official Ratings (Official v. Informational Reports)**

CDE runs 1-year and multi-year frameworks for all districts and schools. We release both reports through Syncplicity -- one is the official framework, and one is solely for informational purposes. To see which rating is used for official reporting, refer to the first page of a school or district's PDF. The header at the top (black banner) will say either "Official Rating" or "Informational Rating." Official ratings are used for accountability purposes and for public reporting.

### **[Informational] Districts with Alternative Education Campuses (AECs)**

AEC performance framework calculations are now underway, with an expected release in early- to mid-September. Districts with an AEC can expect to receive a separate communication when AEC ratings are posted in Syncplicity. The ratings will then be available publicly three business days later.

**[Informational] Accountability and Identification Support.** There are key resources that provide information about the preliminary school and district frameworks:

- The [2025 Changes Document](#) describes changes and considerations for accountability (e.g., frameworks, UIP, ESSA identifications)
- The [Annotated Framework Report](#) illustrates changes specific to the performance framework for 2025
- Accreditation and Request to Reconsider Informational Webinar
  - Date/Time: September 3, 2025 1:00-2:00pm | [Register here](#)
- Accountability 101 Webinar
  - Date/Time: September 4, 2025, 1:00-2:00pm | [Register here](#)
- Priority Improvement and Turnaround: Now What?

- o Date/Time: September 11, 2025 10-11:15| [Register here](#)
- Accountability and Improvement Planning [Office Hours request form](#)
- Accreditation and Request to Reconsider [Office Hours request form](#)
- An overview of [available webinars, technical assistance, trainings](#) and [accountability resources](#).

### **[Informational] Updated 2025 Accountability Timeline**

Note: These are the projected release dates. If anything shifts, CDE will provide updates.

| Date          | Activity                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| April 15      | Rollover to the 2025-26 Unified Improvement Plan template                                                                                                                                |
| July 1        | WIDA ACCESS growth release                                                                                                                                                               |
| August 13     | Accountability data release to districts including CMAS & P/SAT growth data and other underlying data used in performance framework calculations (embargo until August 21)               |
| August 19     | Media briefing of state-level achievement and growth trends                                                                                                                              |
| August 21     | Public release of Performance Framework data including CMAS & P/SAT growth data                                                                                                          |
| August 27     | Preliminary Performance Frameworks release to districts (embargo until Sept 3)                                                                                                           |
| September 3   | Public release of Preliminary Performance Frameworks                                                                                                                                     |
| Mid-September | AEC Frameworks released to districts (embargo for 3 business days); Notification to districts for state and ESSA identifications; Data updated in Online UIP system including assurances |

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| September 26   | Accreditation Form submission (all districts are expected to submit)                                                                                                       |
| October 15     | Submission deadline: 1) Unified Improvement Plans submission in Online UIP, unless flexibilities apply; 2) Request to Reconsider materials due in the Accreditation Portal |
| November 13-14 | District Accreditation Ratings & School Plan Types finalized for Districts/Schools not participating in R2R                                                                |
| December 11-12 | District Accreditation Ratings & School Plan Types finalized for Districts/Schools participating in R2R                                                                    |
| December 31    | District Accreditation Contracts Due                                                                                                                                       |
| January 15     | Optional UIP submission for eligible sites (e.g., sites new to the accountability clock and sites participating in R2R)                                                    |

Good luck in launching the school year. Your work is important and greatly appreciated.

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