Happy spring! We know many of you are taking off the week and hope that it's restful. This communication provides an update on the state accountability bill and offers reminders on two possible action items on the UIP and on the AEC renewal collection. Please let me or the team (accountability@cde.state.co.us) know if you have any additional questions. Take care, Lisa Medler and the Accountability & Continuous Improvement Team

[Informational] State Accountability (HB 25-1278)

The accountability bill has been introduced and is available here. Based upon 30 recommendations from the 1241 Task Force, the bill is fairly long and complex. New amendments are being drafted now, so expect changes soon. We will continue to provide updates in these communications.

[Possible Action] UIP Updates

We are quickly approaching the milestone of April 15, which is the annual rollover for the Unified Improvement Plan for the next school year.

Access: In addition to moving to the 2025-26 school year plan, there will be a statewide transition to the streamlined UIP template. Most districts opted into the new template last year and reported that the new template had features that helped to reduce completion time (e.g., assurances, streamlined layout, shorter and condensed sections, enhanced visual appeal). The older traditional template will no longer be available. Once the template rolls over, school users will only have edit access to the UIP template for 2025-26; District users can still access, edit, and post 2024-25 UIPs and feedback, as needed.

Template Transition Support: As districts anticipate their planning cycle and would like support in transitioning to the new template, please contact <u>SIP team members</u> or reach out to <u>uiphelp@cde.state.co.us</u>.

Resources: Key resources, including quality criteria, the UIP workbook and customized requirements for plans will also be updated for 2025-26 with the rollover.

[Possible Action] Alternative Education Campus (AEC) Application/Renewal Collection

The AEC application and renewal collection opened 3/19/25. AECs reapplying for the 2025-2026 school year and schools applying for AEC designation for the first time (if notified CDE by January 31, 2025) will have their pre-populated data uploaded to the Data Pipeline system automatically. Details about the collection are available at http://www.cde.state.co.us/datapipeline/per-aec. Contact April Thompson (thompson april@cde.state.co.us) with questions.