

July 14, 2025

Dear superintendents and BOCES directors,

Today, I am sharing the following updates:

- Attorney General files lawsuit
- Colorado School Finance Project fact sheets for districts
- CDE updates on Title I-C and Adult Education Program funding
- CDE update on 21st Century Community Learning Centers (Title IV-B) funding
- Update on ED's March reduction in force
- CDE systems outage scheduled: July 19th at 3pm - July 21

Attorney General File Lawsuit

Our [Colorado Attorney General, together with over 24 other states, filed a lawsuit today to demand the release of Colorado's \\$80M in federal funds that were appropriated by Congress](#). CDE submitted a [declaration](#) in support of this lawsuit. Additionally, we are continuing to work with the State Board of Education, the Office of the Governor, and our Colorado congressional delegation to determine next steps for the [\\$80 million in funding for school districts, BOCES, and non-district grantees currently withheld from the state](#). We appreciate the work with our district partners, including CASE, in describing the specific impacts of not receiving this funding. In the meantime, we are working on options for specific programs, as described below.

Colorado School Finance Project fact sheets for districts

The Colorado School Finance Project (CSFP) has created [fact sheets for each school district](#) with information about the impacts of federal funding delays. CSFP also has a [video overview](#) about this new resource.

CDE updates on Title I-C and Adult Education Program Funding

We have not yet received any update from the US Department of Education concerning Title -IC Migrant Education Program funding or Adult Education program funding - including Adult Education and Family Literacy (AEFLA) as well as Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education (IELCE). We do have some carry-over of the 2024-25 allocations of each fund; we are working to determine how much carry-over is available to pass onto grantees as well as cover close-out costs if Colorado ultimately does not receive the funds. We will share more information as soon as we can.

CDE update on 21st Century Community Learning Centers (Title IV-B) funding

As we shared on June 20, we have been able to allocate carry-over from 2024-25 for the 2025-26 year for 21st CCLC grantees. Grantees have received a letter with details on budget revisions and timelines. Funding will be formally issued after we receive final language for the 2025-26 GALs from the Office of State Controller. In the meantime, grantees are allowed to encumber funds.

Update on ED's March reduction in force

Earlier today, the [US Supreme Court granted a request by President Trump's administration](#) to pause the order by a Massachusetts federal judge that would have required ED to reinstate the ED employees impacted by its March 2025 reduction in force. ED released a statement in response to the verdict; you can [find it on their website](#).

CDE systems outage scheduled: July 19th at 3pm - July 21

Due to a scheduled Xcel outage, all of our systems will be offline from Friday, July 19 at 3pm through Sunday, July 21. This outage includes our website, GAINS, COPMAS/RANDA, data pipeline and any other system using CDE's IDM system to access.

As a reminder, [all of our previous communications can be found on our website](#).

Warm Regards,

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