

July 21, 2025

Dear Superintendents and BOCES directors,

Today I am sharing the following updates:

- Update on new Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (PRWORA) lawsuit filed by Colorado Attorney General
- New statewide dashboard on federal funding
- Update from our federal programs team

While we did receive a message from the US Department of Education last week saying that Title IV-B funds would be released, as of 4:30pm today, we have not yet received a new grant award notice.

Update on new lawsuit filed by Colorado Attorney General

Today, the Colorado Attorney General joined 19 other states in a [lawsuit](#) against several federal departments, including the U.S. Department of Education. The lawsuit challenges actions announced by those departments two weeks ago that would compel states to verify the immigration status of participants in various federally funded programs (which were not previously subject to such verification). At CDE, the federal actions apply to Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (AEFLA) programs administered by our department and to Perkins CTE programs administered by our school districts through the community college system.

New statewide dashboard on federal funding

Governor Jared Polis has [released a new dashboard that tracks federal funding](#) either already cut or at risk of being cut. The dashboard also reflects funding protected by the state through legal action.

Update from our federal programs team

If you are not already, LEAs should prioritize spending down 2023-2024 ESEA consolidated application funds prior to September 30, 2025. If your LEA needs to be able to draw down funds over the summer and before September 30, 2025, you have the option of leaving any remaining 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 funds in the 2024-2025 Consolidated Application:

- 2024-2025 Consolidated Applications will remain open for any LEAs with remaining funds in the current application so the funds can be accessed (spent and drawn down) until 9/30/25.

LEAs must submit a Post Award Revision (PAR) and be approved in order to use funds in July-September. PARs were due last Friday (**July 18, 2025**). However, if you need additional time, particularly to draw down expiring 2023-2024 funds, you can email your [ESEA Regional Contact](#).

Warm Regards,

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