

Secondary Transition Taskforce

Membership Application for 3 Year Term
Beginning SY2019/2020



COLORADO
Department of Education

Mission Statement

The mission of the Secondary Transition Taskforce (STT) is to improve outcomes for transition-age youth with disabilities by bringing together a diverse range of stakeholders to collaborate, advise and make recommendations to CDE on behalf of secondary transition service providers and young adults with disabilities and their families.

Purpose of the Taskforce:

As experts in the field, the STT members will assist the State team to:

- Assess statewide needs
- Conduct asset mapping
- Build a structure for providing support
- Identify promising practices occurring within the field
- Vet educational materials
- Be a resource for providing training when appropriate
- Develop training modules and webinars

Membership Term

Members are appointed to a three-year term beginning with the 2019-2020 school year. Members interested in continuing beyond the first 3 year term may be re-appointed to a second two or three year term, if desired.

How often does the Taskforce meet?

Meetings will be held quarterly from 9:00am-4:00pm (tentatively). During scheduled meetings workgroups may meet for the purpose of product and/or content development, as needs are identified. Additional time may be necessary to meet outside of regularly scheduled meetings or work independently to complete a project.

Membership is voluntary. Members are expected to attend all meetings.

Substitute/Reimbursement

A limited amount of funds have been set aside to reimburse the district for a substitute to allow participation of working teachers. The district/BOCES will be reimbursed at the rate of \$150/day.

Travel Reimbursement

Taskforce members who live more than 100 miles away will be reimbursed for the following:

- Mileage at the current government rate
- Overnight lodging per meeting for those traveling over 150 miles one way
- A per diem for dinner and breakfast

Is lunch provided during the meetings?

Lunch is **NOT** provided during meetings. You will be provided time to go to lunch on your own.



Membership

We are expanding our taskforce; therefore, we are seeking 9 Members to serve a 3 year term.

Please provide the following information:

Name:

Address:

City/County/State/Zip:

Work phone:

Mobile phone:

Current Employer & Length of Time (if employed in the field of secondary transition):

Current Role (special education director, special education coordinator, transition coordinator, special education teacher):

Please prepare and submit a letter (maximum of one front and back page) to the Review Committee addressing the following questions. You may choose to include a resume or letter of recommendation (but are not required to do so):

- 1) Why are you interested in being on this Taskforce?
- 2) If you are not an administrator, do you have your supervisor's permission to participate?
- 3) Express your experience working/living with or advocating for secondary students with disabilities and their families.
- 4) What unique skills, knowledge, and talents would you bring to this taskforce?
- 5) What else would you like the Review Committee to know about you?

Representatives are needed from the regions listed below. Please indicate the region you represent:

Metro

North Central

Northeast

Northwest

Pikes

Southeast

Southwest

West Central

Please submit your application electronically by September 15, 2019 to:

Gail Lott at Lott_G@cde.state.co.us or via mail:

Exceptional Student Services Unit
Colorado Department of Education
1560 Broadway, Suite 1100
Denver, CO 80202
Phone 303-866-6721

Direct questions about the application, process, or the Taskforce to Gail Lott, Senior Consultant, Secondary Transition in the Exceptional Student Services Unit, 303-866-6721 or Lott_G@cde.state.co.us.

Applicants will receive a decision about their application no later than September 30, 2019.