**Request to Decline CDE Pre-population of 2020-21 CRDC**

The Colorado Department of Education (CDE) is dedicated to submitting any applicable 2020-21 approved data we have collected from local education agencies (LEAs) into the Civil Rights Data Collection (CRDC) system to assist districts with this federal Office of Civil Rights (OCR) collection.  CDE’s plan is to submit as much data as possible.  Then it is up to each district to fill in any missing information and update any data that is incorrect. If you have questions about CRDC pre-population, please contact Annette at severson\_a@cde.state.co.us.

However, CDE is aware that some local education agencies prefer to provide all of the CRDC data without any assistance. If your local education agency does not want the department to prepopulate CRDC with approved data, please complete this form by **Monday, November 1, 2021.** Forms may be submitted to Annette Severson at severson\_a@cde.state.co.us.

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requests that the Colorado Department of Education NOT prepopulate the 2020-21 Civil Rights Data Collection (CRDC) with any data. It is understood that the CRDC system will not contain any data that our district previously provided to the Department. Our district will be responsible for completing the entire 2020-21 Civil Rights Data Collection.

Superintendent Name (printed) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Superintendent Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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***What is the Civil Rights Data Collection?*** *The Civil Rights Data Collection (CRDC) is a biennial (i.e., every other school year) survey required by the U.S. Department of Education’s (Department) Office for Civil Rights (OCR) since 1968. The 2020–21 CRDC will collect data from a universe of all public local educational agencies (LEA) and schools. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the CRDC was shifted from the 2019–20 to the 2020–21 school year. The Department collects data that are necessary to ensure compliance with civil rights laws within its jurisdiction. The CRDC collects a variety of information, including student enrollment and educational programs and services data that are disaggregated by race/ethnicity, sex, English learner (EL), and disability. The CRDC is a longstanding and important aspect of ED’s Office for Civil Rights overall strategy for administering and enforcing the civil rights statutes for which it is responsible. This information is also used by other ED offices as well as policymakers and researchers outside of ED.*