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News Release

State Graduation Guidelines Development Council Will Meet Friday, Jan. 25

The State Graduation Guidelines Development Council will meet Friday, Jan. 25 from 3:30—6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the State Board of Education room at the Colorado Department of Education (201 E. Colfax Ave.).

The agenda follows:

- Review of minutes from last meeting

- Discuss the travel schedule with the State Board of Education to collect testimony from six statewide meetings—two each in February, March and April.

- K-12 education expectations for our high school graduates

    - 4:00 p.m., Dwight D. Jones, Commissioner of Education
    - 4:30 p.m., Gerald Keefe, Superintendent of Kit Carson, R-1 (by telephone)
    - 5:15 p.m., Charlotte Ciancio, Superintendent, Mapleton Public Schools
    - 5:45 p.m., Kyle Morin, University of Colorado senior (student input)

- Discuss survey

- Discuss any pressing issues by members

- Next Steps

The council is charged by a new state law (C.R.S. 22-7-414) to "develop and recommend to the state board for adoption a comprehensive set of guidelines for the establishment of high school graduation requirements."

The 12 council members are appointed by the governor for two-year terms. The law charges the council with developing a comprehensive set of guidelines for the establishment of high school graduation requirements. Those recommendations will be presented to the state board for adoption. The law requires the council to hold a series of at least six public meetings throughout the state to gather public input in developing its recommendations, which are due by May 1, 2008.

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