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News Release

Schedule for Commissioner Jones, Aug. 4 – 8

Monday, Aug. 4

Commissioner of Education Dwight D. Jones will speak to teachers and administrators at Brighton School District 27-J's annual new teacher luncheon. Dr. Rod Blunck, Superintendent of Brighton School District 27-J will provide the welcome and invite attendees to do tours of the new school with Principal Tom Delgado and other school representatives immediately following the luncheon. The luncheon is scheduled from noon until 1:30 p.m.

Location – Prairie View Middle School, 12915 E. 120th Avenue, Henderson, CO 80640

Wednesday, Aug. 6

The commissioner will travel to Breckenridge to attend the Colorado Council on Higher Education's board meeting. The commissioner will talk about efforts to implement SB 212 (CAP4K) and highlight the shared responsibility of the Colorado Department of Education, the Colorado State Board of Education, the Colorado Department of Higher Education and the Colorado Council on Higher Education to work on SB 212. The commissioner will speak during the luncheon at noon.

Location – Beaver Run Resort, 620 Village Road Breckenridge, CO 80424

Friday, Aug. 8

Commissioner Jones will attend day two of Mid-continent Research for Education and Learning's (McREL) Annual Policy Forum, at the Doubletree Hotel in southeast Denver. The focus of this year's forum is: "Preparing for the Next Generation of Assessment: New Directions, Designs, and Opportunities." This year's forum offers state teams an opportunity to develop policy based on findings from a discussion of research and emerging directions in assessment and accountability. Forum participants will be invited to learn from the experiences of their colleagues across the region as they develop policy solutions for their state.

Location – Doubletree Hotel Denver-Southeast, 13696 East Iliff Place, Aurora, CO, 80014

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