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## **News Release**

### ***Next Meeting of Public School Capital Construction Assistance Board is Wednesday, Sept. 10***

The next meeting of the Public School Capital Construction Assistance Board will be held Wednesday, Sept. 10 in Denver.

The meeting will be held from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. in the State Services Building at 1525 Sherman St., room B70.

The meeting agenda includes:

- Approve minutes from the Sept. 3, 2008 meeting
- Adopt Facility Construction Guidelines as emergency rules for BEST
- Issue notice of hearing on permanent rules for Facility Guidelines with emergency rules as proposed permanent rules
- Guidance for CCAB members when speaking as public figures in reference to division or board programs
- Full-Day Kindergarten Facility Capital Construction
  - Continue drafting emergency rules for prioritizing Full-Day Kindergarten grant applications
  - Discuss matching criteria
- Discuss BEST Program timelines and guidelines

- Discuss emergency grants timelines and guidelines
- Discuss lease-purchase projects timelines and guidelines

The BEST legislation increases the level of financial assistance provided to school districts, charter schools and Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) for capital construction projects, particularly in those school districts that can't afford to meet their own needs.

The function of the Public School Capital Construction Assistance Board is to protect the health and safety of persons using public school facilities and to maximize student achievement by ensuring public school facilities provide a safe and un-crowded environment that is conducive to student learning.

For more information on the Capital Construction Assistance Board and to read board minutes, visit

<http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdefinance/CapConstCCAB.htm>

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