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News Release

Schedule for Commissioner Jones, Feb. 9 - 13

Monday, Feb. 9

Commissioner of Education Dwight D. Jones will join a roundtable discussion and luncheon with members of Denver's African American community. The meeting begins at 11:30 a.m.

Location - Park Hill Golf Club, 3434 East 35th Ave., Denver

The commissioner will attend the Colorado Legacy Foundation's board meeting from 3:30 to 5 p.m.

Location - Benson Mineral Group, 1560 Broadway, Suite 1900, Denver

Wednesday, Feb. 11

Commissioner Jones will head south for school district visits in Castle Rock and Colorado Springs.

- 8:30 a.m. Douglas County School District, 620 Wilcox St., Castle Rock
- 10:30 a.m. Cheyenne Mountain School District 12, 1775 LaClede St., Colorado Springs
- noon Widefield School District 3, 1820 Main St., Colorado Springs

Thursday, Feb. 12

The commissioner will visit school districts in Thornton and Loveland.

- 8 a.m. Adams 12 School District, 1500 East 128th Ave., Thornton
- 1 p.m. Thompson School District R-2J, 800 South Taft Ave., Loveland

The commissioner will facilitate a meeting with the Colorado Department of Education and the Colorado Department of Higher Education for a town hall meeting in Fort Collins as part of the ongoing effort to establish a description of "postsecondary and workforce readiness." The meeting will be held from 5 – 7 p.m.

Location - Colorado State University, Lory Student Center East Ballroom, located at 1101 Center Ave., Ft. Collins

Friday, Feb. 13

Commissioner Jones will speak about reducing the dropout rate in Colorado at the Statewide Dropout Initiative Policy Forum beginning at 10:30 a.m.

Location – Abraham Lincoln High School, 2285 S Federal Blvd., Denver

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