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## **News Release**

### ***Public School Capital Construction Assistance Board's Next Meeting is Friday, Nov. 13***

The next meeting of the Public School Capital Construction Assistance Board is scheduled for Friday, Nov. 13 in Denver.

The meeting will be held from 9 to 11:30 a.m. at the Governor's Energy Office, 1580 Logan St., Suite 100, in Denver.

The meeting agenda includes:

- Call to order
- Roll call
- Approve Agenda
- Approve minutes from prior meetings
- Election results for BEST grant projects
- Update on upcoming BEST FY10-11 projects
- Follow up discussion/adoption of BEST Grant Program Rules
- Fountain-Fort Carson School District 8's request to revise approved BEST grant for a new elementary school
- Silverton School District 1's request to revise approved BEST grant for renovations to their PK-12 school

- Alamosa School District RE-11J's request to increase scope of their two new elementary schools project by adding an auditorium
- Statewide facility assessment update from Parsons, the vendor performing the Statewide Facility Assessment
- District "carry forward" fund balances in relation to future emergency grants
- Discussion pertaining to future BEST lease-purchase projects and allowing a waiver in the matching requirement to allow the project to begin before the financing is complete
- Discussion pertaining to charter school applicants providing the minimum required match
- Review CCAB policy pertaining to BEST security camera grant applications
- Review CCAB policy pertaining to BEST roofing grant applications;
- Set a future meeting date
- Public comment

For more information on the rulemaking hearings, contact Ted Hughes, director of division of public school capital construction assistance at 303-866-6948.

### **About BEST**

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/CapConstmain.htm>

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