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News Release

Governor's Council For Educator Effectiveness Meeting Wednesday, April 21

The next meeting for the Governor's Council for Educator Effectiveness will be held on Wednesday, April 21 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Colorado Education Association board room, located at 1500 Grant St. in Denver.

The 15-member council met for the first time on March 11. The purpose of the council, according to the governor's charge, is to provide a forum for considering options and providing recommendations to ensure that every educator is:

- Evaluated using multiple, fair, transparent, timely, rigorous and valid methods, at least 50 percent of which is determined by academic growth of their students.
- Afforded a meaningful opportunity improve their effectiveness.
- Provided the means to share effective practices with other educators statewide.

Among other charges, the council was given a Dec. 31 deadline to draft definitions of teacher and principal effectiveness and to "develop and recommend guidelines for adequate implementation of a highquality educator evaluation system."

Council members represent the business community, teachers, higher education, school districts, school district administrators, school board members, charter schools, parents, students and the state department of education. Future meetings will be held on the third Friday of every month, from 2 — 5 p.m. The meetings will be held as follows unless otherwise notified: May 21, June 18, July 16, August 20, September 17, October 15, November 19 and December 17.

Meeting minutes will be available on the Governor's Web site following each of these meetings.

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