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Media Advisory

\$1 Million Colorado Educator Effectiveness Project To Be Launched On Aug. 16

The Colorado Department of Education, Colorado Legacy Foundation and The New Teacher Project will launch the Colorado Educator Effectiveness Project 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. Monday, Aug. 16 at the Denver Museum of Nature & Science, Ricketson Auditorium, 2001 Colorado Blvd., Denver.

More than 50 elected and appointed officials as well as Colorado education leaders are expected to attend. The event is open to reporters.

Speakers beginning at 8 a.m. include Commissioner of Education Dwight D. Jones; Helayne Jones, executive director, Colorado Legacy Foundation; Nina Lopez, director of educator effectiveness initiatives, Colorado Legacy Foundation; and Timothy Daly, president, The New Teacher Project.

The Colorado Educator Effectiveness Project is one of the first private-public partnerships in the country focused on improving educator effectiveness statewide.

The end result: In the next two years CDE will strategically align its staff and activities to better recruit, prepare, support and retain effective teachers and school principals.

The work is funded by an \$800,000, two-year Rose Community Foundation grant. Funds are distributed among CDE (\$170,000), CLF (\$421,000) and TNTP (\$208,995). TNTP has raised an additional \$200,000 from other private donors to support its work on the project.

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