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News Release

Statement From Commissioner Of Education Dwight D. Jones

The Clark County School District Board of Trustees approved a contract that confirms Colorado Commissioner of Education Dwight D. Jones as the superintendent of the nation's fifth largest school district.

Commissioner Jones, who is attending the National Association of State Boards of Education conference in Utah, issued the following statement:

"I would like to thank the Clark County School District Board of Trustees for their confidence and support. The challenges ahead of us require commitment, teamwork and sense of urgency, and it's apparent to me that the board and the community are ready with all three ingredients. In addition, there is a clear focus on what we all desire, better results for students. This moment is a bit bittersweet because of the excellent work and dedicated leaders who are making headway in Colorado, but I am pleased that we have reached this step and I am eager to dive in and get going.

"In addition to thanking the trustees in Clark County, I need to publicly express appreciation to the members of Colorado State Board of Education, who all supported my desire to return to direct, up-close-and-personal work with schools and teachers."

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