DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Colorado State Board of Education

PROPOSED RULES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION AND FINANCING OF REGIONAL EDUCATION AND SUPPORT SERVICES

1 CCR 301-55

[Editor's Notes follow the text of the rules at the end of this CCR Document.]

2205-R-1.00 Statement of Basis and Purpose

The statutory basis for these rules, adopted on July 11, 2002, is found in 22-2-106(1) (a), 22-2-107(1) (c), and 22-5-118(7), C.R.S.

The purposes of the rules for the implementation and financing of regional education and support services include, but are not limited to, providing a planning and funding mechanism that recognizes the role of Colorado Boards of Cooperative Services in assisting participating districts in developing cooperative programs that address:

The enhancement of student achievement and instruction through cooperative research and development, the continuous upgrading of standards and assessment techniques, and the establishment of a regional curriculum center,

Staff development and training programs,

The development of improved communications through such methods as communications technology, distance learning, and media assistance,

The use of Federal and State categorical funds and the distribution and delivery of Federal block grant moneys,

Data processing,

Agreements to act as a regional administrative unit for transportation, cooperative purchasing, food, and other non-instructional support services, as may be appropriate,

Assistance to districts in maintaining accreditation,

Cooperative relationships among Boards of Cooperative Services and member and non-member districts,

The highest possible efficiencies and most economical methods for school districts to deliver education and support services,

Cooperative programs for students who are at risk of suspension or expulsion,

Cooperative programs to help close achievement gaps among groups of students.

The State Board and Department will work with other agencies, including Colorado Boards of Cooperative Services or other local consortia, and institutions to provide technical assistance to local educational agencies and schools to carry out their respective responsibilities relative to standards and assessment, including technical assistance and services in areas described in CRS 22-5-118, C.R.S.

2.00 Definitions

- 2.01 (1) "Assessments" means the methods used to collect evidence of what a student knows or is able to do.
- 2.01 (2) "Boards of Cooperative Services (BOCS or BOCES)" means a regional educational service unit designed to provide support, instructional, administrative, facility, community, or any other services contracted by participating members, as organized pursuant to CRS 22-5-104 and 105, C.R.S.
- 2.01 (3) "Department" means the Colorado Department of Education created and existing pursuant to 24-1-115, C.R.S.
- 2.01 (4) "Distance Learning" means the delivery of live instruction to students who are physically located at a distance from the instructor, as well as the taped delivery of instruction at a remote site, such as delayed tape or computer software.
- 2.01 (5) "Standards/Content Standards" means a compilation of specific statements of what a student should know or be able to do relative to a particular academic area.
- 2.10 (6) "State Board" means the State Board of Education created pursuant to Section 1 of Article IX of the State Constitution.

3.00 Eligibility

3.01 In order for a BOCS or consortium of BOCS to receive funds under Section 22-5-118, the applicant shall meet the criteria outlined in 22-5-114, C.R.S.

4.00 Application Procedures and Criteria

- 4.01 An application to receive funds shall be submitted to the Department and shall contain the following:
 - 4.01 (1) The name and address of a BOCS or consortium of BOCS applying,
 - 4.01 (2) The name of school districts and schools participating as well as other cooperating agencies and organizations pursuant to 22-5-118(3)(a), C.R.S.,
 - 4.01 (3) The name of the individual responsible for the final report to the Department,
 - 4.01 (4) The duration of the project,
 - 4.01 (5) The measure(s) the project proposes to address pursuant to 22-5-118 (3) (b) (I-VII), C.R.S.,
 - 4.01 (6) A description of objectives or outcomes of the measure(s).
 - 4.01 (7) Success indicators for the outcome, indicating how the activity will be integrated to improve student achievement,
 - 4.01 (8) Commitment from participating members and other agencies and organizations,
 - 4.01 (9) Implementation procedures,
 - 4.01 (10) Budget for the project,

4.01 (11) Evidence of productive relationships with Regional Education Services Teams.

4.02 Evaluation and reporting of accomplishment of project objectives.

4.02 (1) As part of the process identified in 4.01, each proposal will identify those accountability, evaluation, and reporting measures deemed acceptable to satisfy the intent of the Colorado General Assembly and the State Board.

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