

#### **Graduation Guidelines**

Next fall - when the class of 2021 starts ninth grade - Colorado school districts will begin implementing local high school graduation requirements that meet or exceed the Colorado Graduation Guidelines. This includes offering a list of options that students may use to demonstrate their readiness for careers and college.

www.cde.state.co.us/postsecon dary/graduationguidelines



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# Graduation Guidelines Showcase

The class of 2021 – the first class to graduate under Colorado's Graduation Guidelines – will be entering ninth grade in the Fall of 2017. CDE would like to support you in planning for and implementing graduation guidelines in your district. We'd like to bring the conversation to your district or BOCES with a showcase in a format and with topics that makes sense for you.

# Consider these topics:

- Aligning graduation guidelines with local board policy
- Initiating conversations with the community
- Collaborating with local businesses
- Developing implementation strategies for capstone, industry certificates, or other menu options

# Choose the best timing and format:

**TIMING:** During or after a district or BOCES meeting

With the principals or other district administrators in the PLC

On a day (or ½ day) reserved for the Showcase

FORMAT: Panel discussion by topic

Roundtable discussion

Planning time for district teams

### Share your expertise and practices:

- Consider joining a panel or leading a roundtable discussion.
- Consider sharing your policies, practices, or processes with other districts on the graduation guidelines section of the CDE website.

#### To schedule a showcase and for more information:

- Contact Robin Russel, if you're interesting in hosting or joining the conversation, at <u>russel\_r@cde.state.co.us</u> or 303-866-2908
- Visit the Graduation Guidelines website for history and background, menu of options, timeline, implementation strategies, promising practices, and resources: www.cde.state.co.us/postsecondary/graduationguidelines

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