

CDE MEETING AGENDA



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Meeting Logistics & Desired Outcomes

Meeting: ESSA Committee of Practitioners
Date & Time: Thursday, September 9th at 10:00am
Location: Virtual: Zoom

Meeting Leads:

Laura Gorman (Chair), Amy Beruan (Co-Chair), Jeremy Meredith and Tammy Giessinger (CDE Co-Leads)

Objectives: To allow the Colorado Department of Education the opportunity to provide updates to and elicit recommendations from the Colorado Committee of Practitioners regarding relevant and timely issues related to CDE's responsibilities under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESSA).

Agreed Upon Norms:

- Be present and engage fully.
- Let everyone have a voice and be heard! Don't talk over each other.
- When not talking, turn off mic on your computer/phone to minimize background noise.
- Begin and end meetings on time. Stick to times allotted for topics, to the extent possible, or develop next steps for moving the work forward if running out of time.
- Use time productively.
- Assume positive intent and ask for clarification when something lands wrong.
- Come prepared.
- The chair of the meeting should enforce the norms.

Attendees: Clint Allison, Zuben Bastani, Amy Beruan, Megan Donnellon, Erich Dorn, Rochelle Garcia-Gomez, Sandy Gecewicz, Laura Gorman, John McKay, Alan Nall, Christy Sinner, Mitzi Swiatkowski, Cheryl Taylor, Joey Willett.

Feel free to share your agenda topic submissions through the [submission request form](#). Please let us know if you have any questions.

Agenda Items and Next Steps

Headline Time Presenters	Agenda Description	Type of Agenda Item Format Prep	Summary/Notes
<p>Committee Business</p> <p>10:00 – 10:30 AM</p> <p><i>Laura Gorman & Amy Beruan</i> <i>Jeremy Meredith</i></p>	<p>Jeremy welcomes group, asks CDE team members who will lead conversation today to introduce themselves.</p> <p>Laura and Amy facilitate introductions of CoP members.</p> <p>CoP reviews meeting minutes and votes.</p> <p>Nazie discusses meeting format and variables at play with meeting in person.</p>	<p>Type: Decision Items Prep: Review August meeting notes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The August 19th Meeting Minutes are approved. • Due to logistical challenges, and COVID restrictions, the September meeting was held virtually. CDE will attempt to offer in-person meetings if logistically feasible.
<p>Centering & Purpose of CoP</p> <p>10:30 – 11:15 AM</p> <p><i>Laura Gorman & Amy Beruan</i> <i>Nazie Mohajeri-Nelson</i> <i>Jeremy Meredith</i></p>	<p>Co-Chairs discuss CoP's purpose, providing examples. Discuss importance of voice and engagement.</p> <p>CoP members review norms; determine if any additions or revisions are needed, including whether or not norms are needed for tracking / staying on time during meetings.</p>	<p>Type: Decision Item: Norms for the Year Prep: N/A</p>	<p><u>Presentation Highlights:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members agree to meeting norms. • CDE and co-chairs are available to meet with new members upon request, to answer questions and provide historical context.
<p>CoP Membership</p> <p>11:15 - 11:40 AM</p> <p><i>Jeremy Meredith & Nazie Mohajeri-Nelson</i></p>	<p>CoP reviews current roster and geographic/role representation. Jeremy and Nazie discuss current efforts to recruit new members. Generate ideas to achieve full representation.</p>	<p>Type: Discussion and Feedback Prep: CoP geographic representation can be viewed here. Roster will be shared in advance.</p>	<p><u>Presentation Highlights:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southwest, Southeast, and Central Mountain areas are underrepresented. Member outreach will continue. <p><u>Feedback from CoP Members:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Per regulations, members may serve one role; parents serving on the committee must have a child who receives services related to CoP business. • Recommended outreach: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Special Educator State group. ○ CASE: Brett Michaels.

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Board members: Consider waiting until January when members are sworn in. ○ CASBE Convention ○ Moses Regidor: Delinquent Facilities; CDE's Office of Facility Schools.
Brainstorm 21-22 Agenda Topics 11:40 AM - 12:15 PM <i>Jeremy Meredith Laura Gorman & Amy Beruan</i>	Using this document as a reference point, group discusses past topics, proposed topics for 21-22, and discusses foreseeable topics meriting attention over the course of the school year.	Type: Discussion and Feedback Prep: Review AWG document	<u>Presentation Highlights:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Members reviewed historical CoP meeting topics and proposed agenda items for 21-22. <u>Feedback from CoP Members:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Utilize a survey to solicit feedback on the Consolidated Application – What went well, what could be improved? ● ESSA identification implementation plans, year 4 of CS and ATS schools – Prepare to implement in 22-23. ● ESSER and ESEA monitoring updates – Provide best practices to the field.
Lunch Break (30 min) 12:15-12:45 PM			
Key Updates and Discussion 12:45 - 1:30 PM <i>Nazie Mohajeri-Nelson</i>	Nazie leads conversation about ESSA state plan revisions and CoP input. Then provides update on refined proposal for Title I reallocated funds.	Type: Update and Feedback Prep: Proposed Reallocated Title I Funds Application	<u>Presentation Highlights:</u> ESSER Monitoring: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● ESSER monitoring indicators approved by EDAC. ● ARP ESSER monitoring requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ LEA plan requirements ○ Safe In-Person requirements ○ 20% set aside for using evidence-based interventions ○ Maintenance of Equity

			<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Construction requirements● Indicators will be ready for review prior to the November CoP meeting. Volunteers needed to finalize indicators in October. <p><u>Feedback from CoP Members:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Indicator subcommittee volunteers: Sandy, Clint, Amy Beruan, and Laura (dependent on date/time). <p>ESSA State Plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● 30 schools identified for CS and are eligible in Fall 2022.● SQSS indicator is on the October State Board of Education agenda. SBE to vote on plan revisions:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Keep chronic absenteeism○ Add student growth to standard○ Add student, educator, and/or parent ratings of school climate or safety● CDE will return in November with an update on SBEs decision. <p><u>Feedback from CoP Members:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Request for short accountability training to be provided to members 3-4 days prior to topic being discussed at CoP meeting.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ <u>CDE Response:</u> Recorded presentation will be made available by the end of September.
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			<p>Title I Reallocated Funds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reallocated grant funding available for LEAs with more than 35% reduction (when funding is available). Proposed grant calculation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Option 1: Poverty determines amount available. ○ Option 2: Table of sliding scale; cross tab between poverty and percentage of reduction. ○ Option 3: Based on poverty rate only; up to percentage of reduction, until funds are depleted. <p><u>Feedback from CoP Members:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Majority rule: Option 2. • Notion that districts who have left funds on the table in the past should be ineligible for reallocated funds. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <u>CDE Response:</u> Topic will be discussed further at upcoming meeting; members will have opportunity to vote on notion.
<p>EASI Update 1:30 - 1:50 PM <i>Laura Meushaw</i></p>	<p>Laura provides an update on the EASI grant process.</p>	<p>Type: Update Prep: N/A</p>	<p><u>Presentation Highlights:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 126 schools were removed from the list based on district decisions. • Focus on continuation (Exploration, CFS, Turnaround and MTSS). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Additional funding for Connect for Success, Turnaround, MTSS sites to

			<p>implement one highly successful strategy. Funding is only available to schools /sites that began Connect for Success, Turnaround Network or COMTSS in 18-19 or 19-20. Up to \$40,000/per site.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical assistance: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ EASI Support Fair: Weds, Oct 20th ○ Support coordinators to provide outreach to districts.
<p>Closing 1:50 - 2:00 PM <i>Laura Gorman & Amy Beruan</i></p>	<p>Co-Chairs offer any reflections on the meeting and reviews key action items. Close out meeting.</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next meeting November 18, 2021.