

# 2024 State Accountability & Measures

## Resources for Local Boards & Presentation Tool for Districts



**COLORADO**  
Department of Education

**Overview:** Superintendents and district staff are often tasked with explaining the Colorado educational accountability system including accreditation, performance frameworks and improvement planning to locally elected Board of Education members. This information is important to support board members in providing district oversight and understanding their related statutory responsibilities. These activities include entering a district accreditation contract with the state, accrediting their schools, adopting improvement plans for the district and for state identified schools and considering improvement efforts when adopting the district' budget.

**Purpose:** Resources presented in this fact sheet were developed to support *Boards of Education* in better understanding state accountability and improvement plans, their statutory role and provide *districts* with materials to adapt and train staff around accountability metrics and improvement planning requirements and engage their local Board of Education and other stakeholders. Click each of the links below to access the resources:

- [Unified Improvement Plans: The role of the School Board in plan development and adoption.](#)
- [Colorado Educational Accountability: An Overview for Boards of Education.](#)

These two resources support board members' understanding of related responsibilities from a governance perspective. This includes questions for consideration when involved in any review and/or approval process. To accompany these resources, this fact sheet introduces a **new tool** that serves to support district staff in orienting board members to the accountability, accreditation, and improvement planning processes. In addition, it allows district staff to incorporate their own district data within a developed slide deck. Click on the link below to access the slide deck:

- [2024 State Accountability, Measures & Improvement Planning: District Resource Slide Deck to Engage Boards of Education](#) (MS PowerPoint)

This table to the right provides an outline for the template slide deck that districts may borrow from, adapt and/or use as is or in smaller segments to achieve two primary outcomes: 1) Support district leadership in training staff to better understand and share district and school performance framework reports, data, and improvement plans with their local Board of Education. 2) Engage Boards in accountability and accreditation processes within the context of their local policies, priorities, and community context.

### Overview of Slide Deck:

**Slides 2-5** orient the user to the contents of the slide deck with built in features.

**Slides 6-13** provide an overview of educational accountability, its relationship to governance, and purpose.

**Slides 14-20** present an overview of the accreditation process and related timelines.

**Slides 21-37** introduce a conceptual overview of the performance framework reports to incorporate district data.

**Slide 38-47** explain state identification criteria and associated performance watch requirements.

**Slides 48-55** layout the improvement planning process and requirements, if needed for identified districts / schools.

**Slides 63-66** conclude presentation and provide related resources.

**Slides 67-87** appendix a. state accountability: measures and metrics.

**Slides 88-91** appendix b. future accountability indicators.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

- [Colorado's system for identifying schools for support and improvement](#)
- [Details about school and district performance, also called school and district performance frameworks](#)
- [Please email \[uiphelp@cde.state.co.us\]\(mailto:uiphelp@cde.state.co.us\) with requests for support and/or questions related to this resource.](#)