

June 30, 2025

Dear superintendents and BOCES directors,

Today I am sharing the following updates:

- [US Department of Education guidance on school choice](#)
- [Update on federal allocations as of June 30, 2025](#)

US Department of Education guidance on school choice

On Friday, June 26, the US Department of Education (ED) sent out a Dear Colleague letter with guidance on the use of ESEA funds to “both expand education choice and turn around failing schools.” [More information is available on the ED website.](#)

Update on federal allocations as of June 30, 2025

As you know, the US Department of Education (ED) has been delayed in providing some of the federal funding allocation calculations to states. [In my June 16 update, I shared the allocations we have received](#) for the 2025-2026 school year.

As of today, we still **have not received our state allocations** for the following:

- Title I, Part C – Education of Migratory Children- “Migrant Education”
- Title II-A: Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants
- Title III-A: English Language Acquisition
- Title IV-B — 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC)
- Project AWARE grant, 2022 cohort
- Social Security Act Title V Sexual Risk Avoidance Education (SRAE)
- *Partial* Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Title II Adult Education and Family Literacy Act, specifically we have not received Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education allocations
- Centers for Disease Control Healthy Schools grant

We have reached out to ED directly and have been working with the Office of the Governor and Colorado’s congressional delegation to try to get information or an update on the status of these allocations. As of today (6/30/25), we have not received any communication from ED about timelines or plans for these allocations.

I am deeply concerned about the potential impact of the delay and ongoing uncertainty surrounding these critical funds on our students, educators, and schools. I am also following the [recent news stories about the federal administration’s consideration of “pocket rescissions”](#) as a cost-savings option.

In last week’s update, I [shared some options](#) that LEA leaders might consider to avoid violating the “supplement not supplant” provisions of ESEA funding. Given the uncertainty of our current context, it is important that we all engage in contingency planning in the event that Colorado does not receive allocations by the close of the federal fiscal year on Sept. 30.

Warm Regards,

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