



## Critical Dates for Fiscal Year 2025-26

The due dates listed below include a statutory reference, as appropriate. The short descriptions provided do not necessarily enumerate every requirement of the statute. While the due date represents the last date of completion, action may be taken and is encouraged, as appropriate, prior to the due date.

Date	Category	Reference	Description
May 31	BUDGET	CRS 22-44-108	Preparation of budget. Submit the proposed budget to the board of education by May 31 (i.e., thirty days prior to the beginning of the budgeted fiscal year).
June 10	BUDGET	CRS 22-44-109	Notice of budget – publication. Within ten days after submission of the proposed budget, publish a notice stating that the proposed budget is on file, etc., and stating the date, time and place specified when the board of education will consider adoption of the proposed budget. Section 22-44-109.
June 25	CASH FLOW	CRS 22-54-110	Repay outstanding cash flow loans, if any, to State Treasurer; or later if alternative date provided by the State Treasurer. Section 22-54-110.
June 25	CASH FLOW	CRS 22-54-117	Repay outstanding contingency reserve loans, if any, to CDE based on the agreement in the reserve request; or later if alternative date provided by CDE.
June 30	BUDGET	CRS 22-104-105 CRS 22-44-107, CRS 22-44-110	Formally adopt, by appropriate resolution, the budget, the appropriation resolution and the use of a portion of beginning fund balance resolution, if necessary.
June 30	NUTRITION	7 CFR 245.9(f)(4)(i)	Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) election forms due to School Nutrition for the upcoming school year
June 30	NUTRITION	7 CFR 210.14(e)	Submit <u>paid lunch equity (PLE)</u> tool to CDE School Nutrition Unit for approval. Only submit a paid lunch equity (PLE) tool to CDE School Nutrition Unit for approval if NOT participating in Healthy School Meals for All (HSMA).
June 30	GRANTS		Deadline for submission of FY2025-26 ESSA Consolidated Federal Application and Budget to CDE.
June 30	GRANTS		Deadline for submission of IDEA Federal Application Budget to CDE.
July 1	COMPLIANCE	CRS 22-44-304	Ensure continuing compliance with financial transparency.
July 1	DISTRICT TOTAL PROGRAM	CRS 22-54-115(1.1)(b)	Deadline to request that CDE make the district's state share payments on a 12-month pay cycle and not the new standard 9-month schedule.
July 1	SUBMISSION	CRS 22-51-105	Submission opens for the FY2024-25 Pupil Route Transportation CDE-40 Reimbursement.
August 1	NUTRITION		Update <u>Federal meal reimbursement rates</u> .



August 1	SUBMISSION	CRS 29-1-606 CRS 22-11-206	December financial data pipeline soft open to allow LEAs to upload data files. Due December 31. Note: Final Edits will be populated through August until the official open of the submission.
August 25	MILL LEVY CERTIFICATION	CRS 39-5-128	County assessor certifies to school district the total assessed valuation and the actual value of the taxable property in the district. Section 39-5-128. <i>See also</i> December 10, December 15
September 15	SUBMISSION	CRS 22-51-105	Deadline for submission: Statutory deadline for the submission of the FY24-25 Pupil Route Transportation CDE-40 Reimbursement form for the FY2024-25 entitlement period.
September 30	CHARTER SCHOOL	CRS 22-30.5-112	School district provides each charter school an itemized accounting of its central administrative overhead costs. Actual costs shall be the amount charged to the charter school. Section 22-30.5-112 (within 90 days of fiscal year end).
September 30	CHARTER SCHOOL	CRS 22-30.5-112	School district provides each charter school an itemized accounting of all actual costs of district services the charter school chose to purchase from the district. Section 22-30.5-112
September 30	CSI	CRS 22-30.5-513	The Institute provides to each institute charter school an itemized accounting of all its central administrative overhead costs. Actual costs shall be the amount charged to the charter school. Section 22-30.5-513
September 30	CSI	CRS 22-30.5-513	The Institute provides to each institute charter school an itemized accounting of all actual costs of Institute services the charter school chose to purchase from the Institute. Section 22-30.5-513
September 30	GRANTS		Deadline for submission of IDEA end of year expenditures to CDE.
September 30	GRANTS		Deadline for submission of FY2024-25 ESSA Consolidated Grants Final Expenditure Report to CDE.
September 15	NUTRITION	7 CFR 210.9	Annual Renewal Application in CN Portal, <a href="#">Colorado Nutrition Portal</a> .
October 1	PUPIL COUNT	CRS 22-54-103	Conduct pupil membership count. Section 22-54-103. <i>See also</i> November dates for certification of pupil count.
October 1	OFFICIAL MILEAGE COUNT	CRS 22-51-104	Official mileage count day for the FY2025-26 Pupil Route Transportation CDE-40 Reimbursement



October 31	CHARTER SCHOOL	CRS 2-3-115, CRS 22-54-154	Due date for submission of the Charter School Capital Constructions fund expenditure report (Form CSCC-01); due date for submission of the annual Charter School Capital Construction Funding Eligibility questionnaire to CDE. Section 22-54-124
November 10	PUPIL COUNT	CRS 22-54-112	<p>Final day to submit October pupil membership count via Data Pipeline. Section 22-54-112.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The secretary of the board of education of each district shall certify to the state board the pupil enrollment, the online pupil enrollment, the extended high school pupil enrollment taken in the preceding October or previously in November.</li> <li>• The secretary of the state charter school institute board shall certify to the state board the pupil enrollment and the online pupil enrollment of each institute charter school taken in the preceding October.</li> </ul>
November 25	ELECTIONS	1 C.C.R. 301-1	Submit Report of November 2025 Elections to CDE.
November 26	PUPIL (DUPLICATE) COUNT	CRS 22-54-103	Final day to submit updated October pupil membership count, based on duplicate count decisions, via Data Pipeline
November 30	FINANCIAL AUDIT	CRS 29-1-606	Independent Auditor provides financial audit to the board of education within five months following the close of the fiscal year. Section 29-1-606.
November 30	DISTRICT TOTAL PROGRAM	CRS 22-54-104.3	School District entitled to "Additional Funding," if any, submits to CDE a certification signed by its auditor of its projected spending limit pursuant to the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights (TABOR). Section 22-54-104.3. <i>Note:</i> certification is not required if school district previously held a successful "de-Brucing" election.
December 10	MILL LEVY CERTIFICATION (final)	CRS 39-1-111, CRS 39-5-128	County assessor certifies to school district the total assessed valuation and the actual value of the taxable property in the district. Sections 39-1-111; 39-5-128.
December 15	MILL LEVY CERTIFICATION	CRS 22-40-102 CRS 39-5-128	Certify to board(s) of county commissioners, copied to CDE, the mill levies for the various property tax-supported funds of the district. Sections 22-40-102; 39-5-128. The county(ies) may request copies be sent to the Assessor, the Treasurer and other entities within the county(ies).



December 31	SUBMISSION	CRS 29-1-606 CRS 22-11-206	Approve Data Pipeline financial data, complete Bolded Balance Sheet Report, Auditor's Integrity Check Report and download final Data Pipeline Reports.
December 31	SUBMISSION	CRS 29-1-606 CRS 22-11-206	Submit financial audit to CDE and the Office of the State Auditor. Audit must contain the Auditor's Integrity Check Report bound in the audit; include a copy of the Bolded Balance Sheet with the audit submission. Submit the Assurances for Financial Accreditation form. Compliance met by email or postmark date. Section 29-1-606; 22-11-206.
January 31	BUDGET	CRS 22-44-110	The board may review and change the adopted budget, with respect to both revenues and expenditures, at any time prior to January 31. Section 22-44-110. <i>Note:</i> depending on the budget adjustment, may require an appropriation resolution and/or a use of a portion of beginning fund balance resolution.
March 1	COMPLIANCE	CRS 22-44-300	Post the required FY2024-25 financial data file to the district's financial transparency webpage. CDE uses the district's financial data to populate <u>Financial Transparency for Colorado Schools</u> .
April 8	NUTRITION	7 CFR 245.9(f)(3)	Districts to report Identified Student Percentage (ISP) for sites participating in School Nutrition Programs
1 <sup>st</sup> of Month	GRANTS		Submit Requests for Funds forms with the Office of Grants Fiscal for ESSA, IDEA and Formula ESSER federal reimbursement grants.
1 <sup>st</sup> of Month	NUTRITION	7 CFR Part 210.8(b)(1)	Meal Claim Reimbursement BEST PRACTICE. Submit Child Nutrition reimbursement claims via the online claim system. 7 CFR Part 210.8(b)(1). Note the guidance from the School Nutrition Unit, <u>School Nutrition Claims</u> .
1 <sup>st</sup> of Month	NUTRITION	7 CFR 210.18(g)(1)(i)	Direct Certification Matching BEST PRACTICE: Direct Certification Matching 1 <sup>st</sup> of month. At a minimum: July 1 through the first day of school; October 1; Mid-November to mid-December; Mid-February to mid-March. <u>Determine Program Eligibility   CDE</u>
15 <sup>th</sup> of Month	PUPIL COUNT	CRS 22-54-129	Facility School or State Program reports to CDE the number of eligible out-of-district placed pupils, if any, served during the prior calendar month. Section 22-54-129.
15 <sup>th</sup> of Month	GRANTS		Submit Requests for Funds forms with the Office of Grants Fiscal for IDEA and Competitive federal reimbursement grants.



25 <sup>th</sup> of Month	REVENUE DISTRIBUTIONS	CRS 22-54-115	State transmits state share payments to school districts. Section 22-54-115.
Monthly	REVENUE DISTRIBUTIONS	CRS 22-54-124	CDE transmits Per Pupil Capital Construction moneys to charter schools and Institute charter schools.
Monthly	CASH FLOW	CRS 22-54-117	Notify CDE of any potential Contingency Reserve assistance needs.
Quarterly	COMPLIANCE	CRS 22-45-102, CRS 22-32-109	Board of education reviews financial condition of the school district; the review must include the expected year-end fund balances. Sections 22-45-102; 22-32-109.
Continuing	NUTRITION	7 CFR 210.19(a)(1), 1 C.C.R. 301-11-3.03 (8)	Excess Net Cash Submit plan to the Nutrition Unit for approval no later than two weeks after excess net cash has been identified. 7 CFR 210.19(a)(1) and 1 C.C.R. 301-11-3.03(8). <a href="#">Manage Program Finances   CDE</a>
Continuing	BONDS		Submit annual financial information under SEC Rules and the Continuing disclosure Certificate on or before the date specified in the certificate via EMMA Dataport.
Continuing	BONDS	CRS 22-42-125, CRS 22- 43-108	Upon issuance of bonds or refunding bonds, submit a report within ten days after sale (sixty days for refunding bonds) to the state board of education. Sections 22-42-125; 22-43-108.
Continuing	BONDS		Submit via EMMA Dataport notice of a material event as specified under SEC Rules and Continuing Disclosure Certificate in a timely manner not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the event.
Continuing	school district provided educational services	CRS 22-54-129	On or before the 15 <sup>th</sup> day of each month where a juvenile (charged as an adult) is held in jail or facility, the official in charge of the jail or facility shall report to CDE the actual number of juveniles who received education service at the jail or facility during the prior calendar month to whom the school district provided educational services at the jail or facility. On or before the 15 <sup>th</sup> day of each month following a month where a jail or facility reported the number juveniles who received educational services at the jail or facility, CDE shall pay the school district that provided the educational services the appropriate amount based on the daily rate established for approved facility schools. Section 22-54-129.



Pupil and At-Risk Count, Transportation. *See additional information:*

<https://www.cde.state.co.us/cdefinance/auditunit>,  
<https://www.cde.state.co.us/cdefinance/sftransp>,  
[https://www.cde.state.co.us/datapipeline/snap\\_studentoctober](https://www.cde.state.co.us/datapipeline/snap_studentoctober).

Elections

*See Colorado Department of State, Elections and Voting,*  
<http://www.sos.state.co.us/pubs/elections/main.html>, and  
Colorado Association of School Boards, <https://www.casb.org/>

EMMA Dataport <https://dataport.emma.msrb.org/AboutDataport.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2fSubmission%2fSubmissionPortal.aspx>

Nutrition

<https://www.cde.state.co.us/nutrition/events-and-program-deadlines>