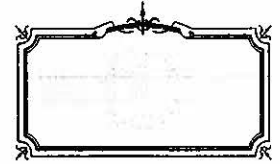




COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

EDUCATIONAL DATA ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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January 22, 2010

Dear State Agency Administrator,

House Bill 09-1214 or 22-2-304(5) C.R.S. requires that data reporting requirements imposed on school districts and public schools by any Colorado state agency be reviewed by the Education Data Advisory Committee (EDAC). EDAC is a statewide representative group of school district volunteers which reviews all PK-12 data collections including grant applications, surveys, plans, reports, assessments and evaluations. EDAC determines whether the benefits derived from a data collection outweigh the administrative burden of producing the data; determines and recommends the most efficient ways of collecting data; determines if recommendations for new data collections are redundant and proposes alternatives; and reviews proposed data collection procedures and recommends improvements. Each EDAC-approved data collection is given a stamp which informs districts and BOCES whether the form is mandatory, required to obtain benefit or voluntary. Forms without an EDAC stamp are not required to be completed. More information about EDAC can be located at <http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdereval/edacinfo.htm>

The committee meets monthly during the school year, usually on the first Friday of the month. A first time review consists of filling out a short questionnaire about the collection and attaching the instrument. EDAC requests to receive these items at least one week prior to a meeting so members can comment and solicit feedback from colleagues with expertise in the area of focus. If your department currently has a collection addressed to school districts or schools, would you please schedule an introductory EDAC review within the next month or two? Please contact Dennis St. Hilaire, EDAC Secretary, at 303-866-6840 or st.hilaire_d@cde.state.co.us for a convenient appointment at an upcoming meeting. As your department plans future collections from these educational entities please allow time in the schedule for the EDAC review process.

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Summary

Problem: EDAC is required to review all state agency data collection efforts imposed on school districts and schools pursuant to 22-2-304(5)

Solution: Schedule an appointment for any current or future data collection by contacting Dennis St. Hilaire, EDAC Secretary, at 303-866-6840 or st.hilaire_d@cde.state.co.us



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Thank you for your cooperation. Dennis will be able to address any questions or concerns that you or your colleagues have regarding the EDAC review process. Our committee looks forward to working with you!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jan Rose Petro'.

Jan Rose Petro
EDAC Chair