

**Mar. 20, 2025**

Dear Superintendents and BOCES Directors

Today, I am sharing the following updates:

- [Executive Order: Improving Education Outcomes by Empowering Parents, States, and Communities](#)
- [White House statement on education](#)
- [BruMan Group training on federal-level activities](#)

**New Executive Order: Improving Education Outcomes by Empowering Parents, States, and Communities**

Earlier today, we received news of the Executive Order entitled [Improving Education Outcomes by Empowering Parents, States, and Communities](#). While it is too soon to fully understand the implications of this new order, we do know that the Department of Education cannot be eliminated without legislation from Congress. Furthermore, many of the most impactful programs funded through the US Department of Education, including Title I and IDEA, are statutorily required. We will advocate for their continued funding, as they support our most vulnerable students. Preserving these programs is essential for student success.

At the Colorado Department of Education, we remain steadfast in our commitment to upholding the law while partnering with schools, school districts, and BOCES to enhance student outcomes. Our priority is ensuring that students and families across our state have access to high-quality schools and meaningful learning experiences. As we navigate change in these times, we will continue to serve and support the field in their efforts to help every student start strong, stay engaged, and graduate ready for postsecondary success. This requires strong collaboration at the local, state, and federal levels, and we look forward to continuing our work to meet the needs of Colorado's students.

**White House statement on education**

Additionally, earlier today, the White House posted an article entitled "[On Education, President Trump Knows We Can Do Better.](#)"

**BruMan Group training on federal-level activities**

Your federal programs teams have been invited to a training by the Bruman Group law firm for Colorado LEAs and CDE staff on **Friday, March 21, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.** to provide

updates regarding federal-level activities in Congress and the U.S. Department of Education. If you are interested in attending, please contact your district's federal programs staff or Emily Owen at [owen\\_e@cde.state.co.us](mailto:owen_e@cde.state.co.us).

Warm regards,  
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