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Hello Accountability Contacts -

Happy Spring! I hope you've gotten to enjoy spring break, and the many holidays (Easter, Passover, Eid al-Fitr, and my favorite- April Fools) if you celebrate! We have several updates below, let us know if you have any questions or would like to discuss anything.

TLCC Survey Data Availability - Embargo April 6-April 14

Big thanks to all our schools and districts who participated in the TLCC! Embargoed results will be shared by Panorama Education with Superintendents and Accountability contacts Monday, April 6 of the sites that met reporting thresholds (schools with 50% participation, 5 responses, district with 40% participation). We ask that you do not share results beyond your district before the embargo lifts on April 14th. At that time, all statewide results that met reporting thresholds will be shared at www.tlccsurvey.org.

New this year, results include use of AI, and constructs have been reorganized to delineate between all staff, instructional staff and school leader questions.

Tentative 2026 Accountability Timeline

- **April 15:** Rollover to the 2026-27 Unified Improvement Plan template
- **Early July:** WIDA ACCESS growth release
- **Early August:** Performance Framework data release to districts including CMAS & P/SAT growth data
- **Late August:** Preliminary Performance Frameworks released to districts
- **Early September:** Public release of Preliminary Performance Frameworks; Notification to districts for state and ESSA identifications; Data updated in UIPs including assurances
- **Mid September:** AEC Frameworks released
- **September 25:** Accreditation Form submission deadline
- **October 15:** Submission deadline: 1) Unified Improvement Plans unless flexibilities apply; 2) Request to Reconsider materials due in the Accreditation Portal
- **January 15:** Optional UIP submission for eligible sites (e.g., new identification and Request to Reconsider)

1278 Implementation Updates

CDE continues to prepare for changes to the Accountability System required by HB 25 1278. In March, CDE presented a **proposal for revising the implementation timeline** to the State Board of Education, including changes to PWR indicators and use of data from new PWR collections in frameworks. CDE presented three potential timelines, recommending option 1, which involves delaying all performance framework changes until Fall 2028 based on feedback from districts and schools. The board generally supported option 1 and will vote in April. CDE will provide more formal guidance at that point. Materials shared with the Board can be found [here](#), and you can watch a recording of the presentation [here](#).

The new PWR data collection for Industry-Recognized Credential and Work-Based Learning data will be open April-June 2026. You can find more information about this collection [here](#). If you have questions about this data collection you can [sign up for ad-hoc office hours with the PWR office at this link](#). **Note that the Industry Recognized Credential data will be used for points in the fall 2027 frameworks, as this takes the place of the CDIP collection.** If you submitted CDIP data in the past, you should now submit that data through the PWR collection.

Finally, **public written testimony is now open for rulesets impacted by H.B. 25-1278, including Insufficient State Data: Low Participation; End-of-clock pathways (district proposed pathway & Pathway Plans); and Calculations and Definitions Changes (does not impact Frameworks).** You may find it helpful to review the “Presentation” in the link provided below for a summary of the changes and process.

- 1 CCR 301-1, Rules for the Administration of Statewide Accountability Measures: [Rules documents, including redline version of rules, and presentation.](#)

We encourage you to share your thoughts through this [feedback survey](#).

FYI: Upcoming SBD and Assessment Data Availability and Review

Our friends in assessment want to share some upcoming dates for 2026 [SBD data reviews](#). Just a reminder that ensuring your assessment data now matters for accurate public reporting and accountability purposes later.

- The CMAS SBD process in PearsonACCESS^{Next} can be started now. Invalidation codes will be updateable via file upload starting April 6th. The final district review window (schools locked out) will be May 1st through May 8th. Training documents

and file layouts are available on the CMAS webpage under [Data Training Resources](#).

- The Assessment SBD Snapshot for SAT/PSAT and DLM will open on April 6th. The final submission window will be April 27th – May 8th. File layouts and trainings are available on the [Data Pipeline collection page](#). Invalidation codes must be entered via the vendor systems and must be updated by May 8th.
- Data and score reports:
 - WIDA ACCESS data and score reports will be available in WIDA AMS on 4/30.
 - CMAS district data files will be available in PearsonACCESS^{Next} by 6/1.
 - Colorado PSAT/SAT and DLM district accountability data files will be available on Syncplicity by 6/10.

UIP Template - Roll over to 2026

We are quickly approaching the milestone of April 15, which is the annual rollover for the Unified Improvement Plan for the next school year.

Once the template rolls over, school users will only have edit access to the UIP template for 2026-27; District users can still access, edit, and post 2025-26 UIPs and feedback, as needed. Plans will include information on initial qualification for biennial flexibility or combined plans.

Key resources, including the quality criteria rubric, UIP handbook, and the UIP workbook will be updated for 2026-27 with the rollover.

Assigning District Accountability Contacts

To gain access to accountability-related data files (including student level personally identifiable information - PII) this summer, each district superintendent must assign an Accountability Contact. Accountability Contacts for the district are assigned using the Identity Management (IdM) system. Local Access Managers (LAMs) assign the UIP~Accountability Contact role to the superintendent or the superintendent's designees who will be responsible for

- Receiving performance framework results and related data, including student Personally Identifiable Information (PII) via Syncplicity
- Submitting the Accreditation Form
- Receiving accountability related communications

For more information on set-up visit the [webpage user guide](#). Anyone that is interested in receiving accountability communications only must complete the [Accountability and Improvement Contact Request Form](#) to be added to the mailing list.

Thank you!