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Hello Accountability Contacts-
Looks like we made it! Kudos to all your hard work this school year as you dash or scramble over the finish line. We have a few accountability updates to share before you set out on any summer adventures.

May Board Rules Update

- **Insufficient State Data: Low Participation:** The Board approved updated rules to 1 CCR 301-1, Rules for the Administration of Statewide Accountability Measures, which includes changes to Insufficient State Data: Low Participation; End-of-clock pathways (district proposed pathway & Pathway Plans); and Calculations and Definitions Changes (which do not impact Frameworks). The new rules define Insufficient State Data: Low Participation as less than 25% total participation in ELA or Math across combined tested grades. This identification will be implemented for the 2026 frameworks, with the exception of online schools, which will begin implementation on the 2027 frameworks. You can find a link to the presentation materials and rules here.
- **PWR Sustain Rules:** The Board approved rules for 1 CCR 301-117, Rules for the Administration of Postsecondary and Workforce Readiness Sustain Funding. The rules outline outcomes eligible for funding, including 12 postsecondary credits that are transferable college credits; an industry recognized credential; or the successful completion of 60 cumulative hours of work-based learning. You can find a link to the presentation materials and rules here.
    - Funding will rely on data submitted through the new PWR data collection which closes June 30, 2026 for the 2025-26 school year. You can find training resources at this **training link**.
    - Note that this data collection replaces the CDIP data collection in previous years. Industry-recognized credential data from this collection will be used for fall 2027 frameworks (existing matriculation sub-indicator), and work-based learning data will be included in spring 2028 informational frameworks (PWR indicators).

Accountability Work Group - Taking Applications!
The Accountability Work Group (AWG) is an advisory stakeholder group to CDE. The application to add new members is open. Please review the AWG Member Role Overview for more information and commitments of the application. The deadline for applications is Monday, June 22 at 5 pm. It is anticipated applicants will be notified the week of July 20th. For questions, please contact Erin Loften at loften_e@cde.state.co.us.

Dashboard Study

- **Accountability Dashboard Feedback:** We need your advice to shape the direction of data dashboards! This includes tools like SchoolView, School & District Dashboard, Data Explorer and locators for Online Performance Frameworks, UIPs and Accreditation Contracts. Participate in this 10-minute survey by June 15, 2026. A report summarizing this feedback and recommendations will be submitted to the State Legislature and State Board of Education by November 2026.

Updates and 2026-27 Continuous improvement Training Calendar

- Review the 2026 Changes Document, which describes changes to the Performance Framework and UIP Template for the 2026 school year.
- We are pleased to share our **Continuous Improvement Professional Learning Opportunities for the 2026-27 school year**. This includes our webinar offerings, on demand supports, and a five-part Planning & Impact Workshop series for district leaders to collaborate on their approach to district wide continuous improvement. These five workshops will be offered in two formats: a half day in-person session in Denver and a virtual series with a rural focus.
- Reach out to schedule an in-person or virtual improvement planning work session for yourself or a set of schools. Discuss plan implementation, dig into the quality criteria requirements, or brainstorm step-backs and stakeholder integration.

HAGS!