August 5, 2026

Dear superintendents and BOCES directors,

Today, I am sharing the following updates:

- System outages for updates to CDE's identity management system
- Contact information for Commissioner's Leadership Team
- Clarification: CDE Parent Survey on Education Options
- Back to school letter from President Trump

System outages for updates to CDE's identity management system
As you may know, we are experiencing some system outages during our cut over (migration) to our new identity management system (IDM). In addition to yesterday's planned outages, we will need to **extend the system outages through Friday, Aug 7** as we address technical issues. We will continue to keep your Local Access Managers (LAMs) updated on our progress. We apologize for this inconvenience. Contact cdeidm@cde.state.co.us for support.

Contact information for Commissioner's Leadership Team
Please bookmark this document that provides direct contact information and areas of oversight for our senior department leaders.

Clarification: CDE Parent Survey on Education Options
Last week, we shared information about the Colorado Department of Education's parent survey on education options in response to House Bill 26-1428. I would like to clarify that this survey is a CDE initiative designed to gather stakeholder feedback to help inform the Request for Information required by the legislation. Although this is not a State Board of Education survey, the survey results will be shared with the State Board as part of that process.

We also want to clarify that participation is entirely voluntary. While we encourage you to share the survey with parents and families, there is no requirement to do so.

I apologize for the confusion created by our previous communication and appreciate your understanding. Thank you for your continued partnership and for your flexibility as we implement House Bill 26-1428 and provide the Legislature with information about Colorado's online schools and homeschool enrichment programs through the required Request for Information

Back to school letter from President Trump
The US Department of Education (ED) shared this letter from President Trump welcoming students to the new school year and asked that we share it with you.

Warm regards,
Susana Córdova