Additional Resources

Colorado Resources

State Support & Coalitions

- **Office of Family, School, and Community Partnerships (FSCP)**
  Colorado Department of Education office providing general support, information, and technical assistance for community school exploration and implementation.

- **Colorado Coalition for Community Schools**
  Statewide network providing advocacy, peer learning, coalition-building resources, and technical assistance for community school implementation.

Colorado Department of Education (CDE) Planning Tools

- **Community Schools Major Improvement Strategy Guide** *(Colorado Department of Education, 2026)*
  Implementation guide for embedding the community school strategy directly into Unified Improvement Plans (UIP).

- **Essentials of the Community Schools Strategy for Colorado Online Course** *(Colorado Department of Education, 2026)*
  Self-paced professional learning module covering state-specific foundational practices and operational strategies.

- **Engaging Stakeholders in Planning** *(Colorado Department of Education, 2025)*
  Actionable strategies and tools for authentic family, youth, staff, and community partner engagement.

- **Community Schools Legislation and Guidance** *(Colorado Department of Education, n.d.)*
  Statutory definitions, legislative background, funding guidelines, and state compliance information.

- **FSCP Trail Map for Schools** *(Colorado Department of Education, 2025)*
  Four steps for implementing sustainable and systemic family, school, and community partnerships.

National Resources

Implementation & System Design

- **Stages of Development** *(Community Schools Forward, 2023)*
  Framework detailing the developmental roadmap and benchmark milestones from early readiness to full transformation.

- **Building a Community Schools System** *(Institute for Educational Leadership, 2022)*
  District-level guidance for establishing central infrastructure, scaling strategies, and sustaining community schools across multiple sites.

- **Community Schools Playbook** *(Partnership for the Future of Learning, 2018)*
  Comprehensive national toolkit containing model policies, funding strategies, and advocacy briefs.

Research & Evidence Base

- **Community Schools Impact on Student Outcomes: Evidence from California** *(Learning Policy Institute, 2025)*
  Statewide evaluation measuring academic, attendance, climate, and social-emotional outcomes across community school initiatives.

- **Community Schools as an Effective School Improvement Strategy: A Review of the Evidence** *(Learning Policy Institute, 2017)*
  Landmark research synthesis linking the four core community school pillars to positive student performance and school climate.

- **The Community Schools Revolution** *(Collaborative Communications Group Inc., 2023)*
  National narrative and case-study guide exploring real-world community school transformations and systemic impact