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## NEW SCHOOL NEWS September 2017



### Note from the New Schools Team

The decision to start a charter public school is a monumental one and indicates a commitment to taking the time necessary to research, build support, assemble a team and ultimately design a school that meets a need in your community. When asked what the most critical element is in developing a successful school, we have learned that it always comes back to TIME!

*It typically takes 18 months to 3 years to bring a school from theory to reality.* The first phase alone, if done well, is very time consuming as you research charter school law and best practice, visit other schools, learn about the state accountability system, garner support in the community and build a team with a diverse set of skills. To learn more about the many steps involved in charter school development, please visit the [Start a Charter Colorado Flowchart](#) and gain quick access to many of the resources necessary to start a school.

No matter what phase of development you are in, this monthly newsletter will offer you *critical resources*, *helpful tips* and information about important *events and trainings* so that your school can possess a solid foundation with a high likelihood of success.

If you haven't come in for a face to face meeting yet, please schedule that with us at your convenience.

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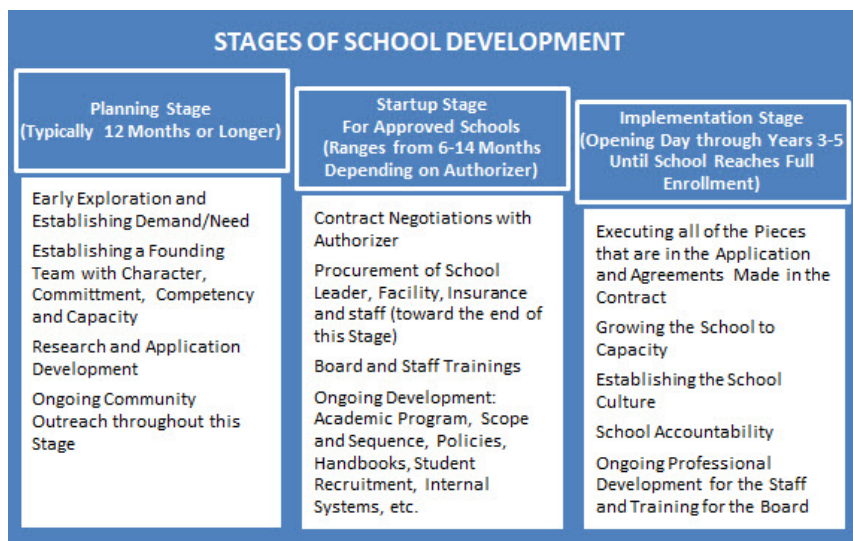
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## Register Today For the 2017 Charter School Policy & Facility Summit

No matter what stage of development your school is in, identified board members and school leader should mark their calendars for this Summit. This event will provide charter school leaders with the option of attending sessions related to policy and legal topics or facilities management and financing. It's an opportunity to obtain important information about facilities, ongoing policy and legal updates and issues affecting their individual charter school and the sector at large. [Click here to register.](#)

## Stay Informed! Regardless of your stage of development, be sure to receive these informative publications from the League:

- Business Office Perspectives (monthly e-newsletter for business managers)
- Friday Wire (weekly e-newsletter with links to charter related news articles)
- Legislative Updates/Charting the Capitol (bi-weekly e-newsletter during the legislative session: January - May)
- Professional Development Insider (monthly e-newsletter providing information on upcoming trainings and events for school staff)
- School Safety Awareness Newsletter (monthly e-newsletter)

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## Tips and Resources for Schools in the Planning Stage

### If your team is working on a CCSP grant application, mark your calendar!

October 11 is the **submission deadline** for the Colorado Charter School Program (CCSP) Grant Application. [Click here](#) to contact the Schools of Choice office at CDE for more information.

### Quality Standards for Developing Charter Schools: A Blueprint for Creating an Exemplar Application and Establishing a Strong Foundation for Your School

The [Quality Standards for Developing Charters Schools](#) has been developed for founding groups that are in the process of designing a charter school and writing a charter application. The League has created these standards in order to provide clear guidance for developing groups on what it means to be a high-quality, successful applicant. By understanding and meeting these standards, and following through with their well-developed processes, new schools are more likely to be met

with success through the application and startup process. Please use this document in conjunction with any guidance your authorizer recommends. The Quality Standards is an invaluable companion when writing your application providing over 70 links to resources and other critical information.

### **Lessons Learned in Charter School Startup**

The League's President, Ben Lindquist, in conjunction with two co-authors penned this informative [blog post](#) (part one of a two-part series) on lessons learned through their collective opening of ten charter schools over the years. Be sure to [click here](#) to read the second article in this two-part series on school startup lessons.

### **An Opportunity to Integrate Health & Wellness into Your New School Design**

The Colorado League of Charter Schools receives funding to connect Colorado's public charter schools with Health & Wellness supports in the area of school planning, implementation, and programming. We know that providing Health & Wellness options directly supports academic, social and emotional growth and success for students.

This funding provides opportunities to support a *limited* number of new schools interested in integrating Health & Wellness initiatives into a new school design for the 2017-2018 school year. For more information please contact Rainey Wikstrom, School Wellness Advisor, at 303-906-5218.

## **Tips and Resources for Schools in the Startup and Implementation Stages**

### **Open Meetings Law**

Upon becoming an approved school, you should start operating under Open Meetings law immediately (if you aren't already). This includes posting your meetings, keeping minutes, and making sure there are no emails or other conversations about school decisions among more than two board members between meetings. [Click here](#) to learn more.

### **The Startup Year: Strongly Recommended Trainings and Professional Development**

[Onboarding Your Charter School](#) - Attend this League training shortly after charter approval to assist you as you navigate through the complexities of the startup phase; presenting a clear path forward as your school moves from theory to reality. With a combination of sessions and personalized office hours with various League staff across all of the critical areas of year-0, Onboarding is designed to help you effectively identify next steps and understand how to implement them.

[Charter School Policy and Facility Summit](#) - This League training will provide charter school leaders and board members with the option of attending sessions related to policy and legal topics or facilities management and financing. This is an opportunity for charter school leaders to:

- Obtain important information about ongoing policy, legal updates and issues affecting their individual charter school and the sector at large
- Hear from legislators and State Board of Education members on issues these decision makers believe will impact the upcoming legislative session
- Share with League staff issues impacting their school and education community
- Gain valuable information about all stages of the facilities and financing process, from small projects to large construction and

how to prepare your leadership for best practice decision-making regarding facilities projects

- Learn about local and national stakeholders and experts in the areas of charter school policy, legal and facilities issues will be present to share their expertise and knowledge
- Determine outcomes from the Colorado Charter School Facilities Initiative Survey, and how this data will impact policy and technical assistance from the League and others in the sector

[Board Fundamentals](#) - A CDE training offered twice a year to support board members in providing a sound introduction to board practice and responsibilities, a refresher to continuing board members in board leadership roles, and an introduction to school leaders about general charter school governing board practices and responsibilities.

[Annual Finance Seminar](#) - A CDE training held in the fall of each year; this training is designed to give business managers, school leaders and board members an opportunity to learn about changes in policy or innovations in the field of operations and finance management (required for all CCSP grant recipients).

#### [Business Office Perspectives Meetings](#)

Held four times per year, these League trainings provide networking opportunities and professional development credits for charter school business managers. All school leaders and staff involved in school business operations are invited to attend these informative events to stay abreast of relevant compliance updates, legislative issues, and best practices in the areas of finance, facilities, I.T., Human Resources, and more (contact [Tiffany Kallevik](#) for more information).

[Colorado Charter Schools Conference](#) - The League's Colorado Charter Schools Conference is one of the most comprehensive professional development opportunities for new and veteran charter public school staff, boards, administrators and teachers. It will take place March 1 - 2 at the Marriott Denver Tech Center, 4900 S. Syracuse Street, Denver.

Also, schools each have unique professional development needs, particularly in the areas of [Academics and Instruction](#). Be sure to check out our calendar of [events and trainings](#) and the Leagues' vast [webinar library](#) throughout your school development process.

## Save The Date For Startup Stage Teams

### **Charter School Law Institute's Colorado Legal Seminar**

*Hosted by the Charter School Law Institute*

**Date:** Friday, October 27

**Time:** 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

**Location:** DPPA Event Center, 2105 Decatur Street, Denver

**Cost:** \$275 for one person and \$250 per additional attendee

**Description:** [Charter School Law Institute](#) will be running a one-day in-depth legal seminar on emerging federal and state civil rights issues. Through a combination of lectures and small-group breakout sessions led by local and national experienced legal counsel, they will: examine how to navigate immigration issues facing students and schools; learn how the US Supreme Court is raising expectations for public schools serving special education students; discuss how to prevent race discrimination, including unintentional and unconscious bias; review state and federal laws regarding LGBT students; and address issues specific to school discipline, bullying, harassment and sexual violence. Together, they will tackle the most cutting edge legal questions facing charter schools across the country. As an attendee, you will leave with concrete, practical strategies and tips on how to ensure you are in compliance of all related legal requirements and effectively serving all students.

**Registration:** [Click here to register](#). **Deadline:** Friday, October 20.

## In Every Issue

The following information is included in each newsletter as they are valuable resources to keep on your radar.

### New School Development Resources

Visit the League's [New School Development](#) page for sample model documents, upcoming events, information about grants and much more. Check back frequently for updates!

### Health and Wellness Resources

<http://www.coloradoedinitiative.org/resources/healthy-schools-best-practices-guides/>

<http://www.coloradoedinitiative.org/resources/connecting-health-and-learning-health-is-vital-to-student-success-an-overview-of-relevant-research/>

<http://www.coloradoedinitiative.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/MakingtheCaseFF.pdf>

### School Safety

<http://cdpsdocs.state.co.us/safeschools/E-Updates/CSSRC-E-UpdateJuly2017.pdf>

### Community Presentation Resources

- Videos: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCJNqgDobfoIQf3t78oVMcQ>
- FACTS: <http://coloradoleague.org/?charterschoolfacts>
- Infographics: <http://coloradoleague.org/?infographics>
- Website: <http://www.charterpublic.org/>  
(Great for messaging your charter school)!

### Information from CDE Schools of Choice Office

<http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdechart/chartregstart.asp> - This is the events page for the Schools of Choice unit at CDE. This site should also be checked frequently as there are always important and relevant workshops and seminars for developing schools that CDE Schools of Choice offers.

CDE's Schools of Choice Office provides a variety of Technical Assistance events for developing, new, and continuing charter schools. You can learn more about these offerings, see their schedule of events, and register for their trainings at <http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdechart/chartcalendar>

CDE's Schools of Choice Office puts out a twice-monthly "SOC Update" email and other important announcements through its Charter School ListServ. To sign up visit: <http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdechart/joinlistserv>

## Mark Your Calendar

**Whether you are in the planning phase, have been approved or are a Year-One school, there are critical professional development opportunities listed below. If you are unclear as to whether or not you should attend a training listed below, please contact the League's [New School Development department](#). Please continue to check the [League Calendar](#) for upcoming trainings.**

### Twice-Exceptional Foundations, Level 1, Fall 2017 Course

## Options

*Hosted by CDE Exceptional Student Services Office*

**Dates:** Full online course: September 11 - October 29 | Hybrid: October 2 - October 29 with one day face-to-face training on November 2

**Cost:** Free

Location: Online; Face-to-face training on November 2 at UNC Lowry, 1059 Alton Way, Denver

**Audience:** Any educator or mental health professional with an interest in learning more about gifted students with disabilities

**Description:** These course offerings are designed to provide you with:

- The ability to articulate and understand the complex needs of twice-exceptional students, both academic and social-emotional
- An awareness of how the learning environment and teaching style impact the success of twice-exceptional students
- A review of the basics of MTSS for use in twice-exceptional identification and programming
- The ability to define and utilize strength-based programming within a MTSS framework
- The skills necessary to identify evidence-based strategies for twice-exceptional students
- Suggestions for working with the parents of twice-exceptional learners
- The opportunity to collaborate with others to develop an educational plan that is responsive to the student's profile

**Registration:** [Click here to register.](#) **Deadline:** Friday, September 8.

## Close Reading Strategies Cohort

*Hosted by the Colorado League of Charter Schools*

**\*\*Note: Registration and payment covers three separate events.**

**Please make sure you can attend each one.\*\***

**Dates/Times:**

Wednesday, September 13 | 12:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Wednesday, October 18 | 12:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Wednesday, November 15 | 12:00 PM - 3:30 PM

**Location:** Colorado League of Charter Schools Training Center, 4201 E. Yale Avenue, Denver

**Cost:** League Members: \$400 per person for all three sessions and \$200 for each additional attendee for all three sessions | Non-Members: \$500 per person for all three sessions and \$200 for each additional attendee for all three sessions

**Note:** Lunch will be provided at each session

**Target Audience:** Teachers, Reading and/or Literacy Specialists and Interventionists, Reading Across the Curriculum Teachers, Instructional Coaches

**Description:** In this series of professional development sessions, participants will learn a variety of ways to teach Common Core State standards through close reading rituals and various systematic strategies. These strategies can be used across the content areas and with various curriculum components. Teachers will be able to experience the close reading rituals with a variety of text, standards, models, and have time to adjust existing lesson plans to embed and implement the close reading strategies learned. They will also learn how to make a close reading strategy a ritual, embed interventions, and receive quality feedback through reciprocal peer interaction.

**Close Reading Strategies 101 (Wednesday, September 13)**

**Close Reading Strategies 102 (Wednesday, October 18)**

**Close Reading Strategies 103 (Wednesday, November 15)**

**Registration:** [Click here to register.](#) **Deadline:** Friday, September 8.

## **CDE: Administrator Mentoring Cohort**

*Hosted by CDE Schools of Choice Office*

**Date:** Wednesday, September 13

**Time:** 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM

**Location:** Rocky Mountain Academy, 2959 Royale Elk Way, Evergreen

**Description:** A mentoring program that meets six times a year, geared toward new administrators or experienced administrators that are new to the charter school environment (though administrators outside these categories are welcome). Administrators will work as a cohort team, work one-on-one with a mentor, and participate in site observations as they build leadership capacity among new charter school administrators.

**Registration:** [Click here to register.](#)

## **8 Critical Strategies for Compliant Special Education Programming**

*Hosted by the Colorado League of Charter Schools*

**Date:** Thursday, September 14

**Time:** 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

**Location:** Colorado League of Charter Schools Training Center, 4201 E. Yale Avenue, Denver

**Cost:** League Members: \$75 per person and \$50 for each additional attendee | Non-Members: \$100 per person and \$50 for each additional attendee

**Description:** School leaders (principals, executive directors, etc.) are ultimately responsible for the operation and compliance of special education programming in their schools. Therefore, it is essential that school leaders, in addition to special education teachers/coordinators, understand the IDEA requirements for special education services and make sure their school is in compliance with these requirements. This workshop is designed to equip school leaders with 8 critical strategies for managing special education compliance.

**Registration:** [Click here to register.](#) **Deadline:** Monday, September 11. Event is contingent on 8 attendees.

## **SAT/PSAT: School-Wide Overview**

*Hosted by the Colorado League of Charter Schools*

**Date:** Thursday, September 14

**Time:** 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM

**Cost:** League Members: \$50 for one person and \$25 per additional attendee; Non-members: \$75 for one person and \$25 per additional attendee

**Location:** Colorado League of Charter Schools Training Center, 4201 E. Yale Avenue, Denver

**Audience:** Educators who will be involved in the communication of test scores from April 2017 as well as the planning for next spring's administration. School assessment coordinators, counselors, principals and lead teachers are encouraged to attend this workshop.

**Description:** Following the release of CO PSAT™ 10 and CO SAT™ school day scores this past June, the College Board is pleased to host a back-to-school regional workshop for Colorado public charter school educators. This workshop will provide an overview of the SAT Suite for Colorado students with the addition of the PSAT™ 9 to be administered this spring 2018. They will also show educators and their students how to access and understand their test results from last year. The workshops will demonstrate the interactive features and two essential reports built into the educator reporting portal. The educator portal offers an array of powerful tools for teachers to assess their students' progress and plan instruction that delivers what they need.

**Registration:** [Click here to register and learn more.](#) **Deadline:** Thursday, September 12.

## PowerSchool: Preparing for October Count

*Hosted by the Colorado League of Charter Schools*

**Date:** Friday, September 15

**Time:** 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

**Cost:** League Members: \$75 for one person and \$25 each additional attendee; Non-Members: \$125 for one person and \$25 each additional attendee

**Location:** Colorado League of Charter Schools Training Center, 4201 E. Yale Avenue, Denver

**Note:** Lunch will not be provided.

**Description:** The Student October Report does not have to be intimidating! During this workshop, attendees will break the report down into understandable segments and define the tasks and data associated with each piece. This is a hands-on workshop with time allotted for participants to work on their data.

**Audience:** Registrar, Secretary, PS System Admin, Enrollment/Admissions Staff, and Designated State Reporters

**What to Bring:** Your computer and your school's enrollment/application forms

**Prerequisites:** Must have administrator access, familiarity with PS's enrollment/application process and ability to export data from PS to work with data in Excel

**Trainer:** TC Travis, Director of Technology/District Assessment Coordinator, Wray School District

**Registration:** [Click here to register](#). **Deadline:** Tuesday, September 12. Event is contingent on a minimum of 8 registrants.

## Novice Teachers: Effective Instructional Strategies to Support Positive Student Outcomes Cohort

*Hosted by the Colorado League of Charter Schools*

**\*\*Note: Registration and payment covers three separate "events".**

**Please make sure you can attend each one.\*\***

**Dates/Times/Locations:**

Wednesday, September 20 | 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM | Colorado League of Charter Schools Training Center, 4201 E. Yale Avenue, Denver  
Date TBD (after September 20) | On-Site Observation and Instructional Coaching Sessions

Wednesday, November 29 | 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM | Colorado League of Charter Schools Training Center, 4201 E. Yale Avenue., Denver

**Cost:** \$500 per person for both PD sessions and On-Site Observation and Instructional Coaching

**Target Audience:** Teachers in years 1-3 of teaching, Interventionists who teach larger groups of students, and anyone who is looking to improve their instructional practices in the classroom

**Description:** In this series of professional development sessions (one includes an on-site observation and instructional coaching segment), participants will engage in a variety of effective instructional strategies to practice and then implement in the classroom. Research states that instructional strategies need to be practiced over 20 times in order to become an automatic part of instructional practice. This workshop provides opportunities for practice, feedback and mentorship, planning and development of teaching routines, on-going support, and a risk-taking learning environment that supports teachers with a growth mindset.

**Registration:** [Click here to register](#).

## Charter School Policy & Facility Summit

*Hosted by the Colorado League of Charter Schools*

**Date:** Monday, September 25

**Time:** 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**Location:** Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities, 6901 Wadsworth Blvd., Arvada

**Cost:** League Members: \$90 per person | Non-Members: \$130 per person



| New School Developers\*: \$50 per person.

**Meals:** Breakfast and lunch will be provided.

**Description:** The 2017 Charter School Policy and Facility Summit will provide charter school leaders with the option of attending sessions related to policy and legal topics or facilities management and financing. This is an opportunity for charter school leaders to:

- Obtain important information about ongoing policy, legal updates and issues affecting their individual charter school and the sector at large
- Hear from legislators and State Board of Education members on issues these decision makers believe will impact the upcoming legislative session
- Share with League staff issues impacting their school and education community
- Gain valuable information about all stages of the facilities and financing process, from small projects to large construction and how to prepare your leadership for best practice decision making regarding facilities projects
- Learn about local and national stakeholders and experts in the areas of charter school policy, legal and facilities issues will be present to share their expertise and knowledge
- Determine outcomes from the Colorado Charter School Facilities Initiative Survey, and how this data will impact policy and technical assistance from the League and others in the sector

**Agenda:** Coming soon.

**Registration:** [Click here to register](#). **Deadline:** Friday, September 15.

## Formative and Summative Assessment Cohort

*Hosted by the Colorado League of Charter Schools*

**\*\*Note: Registration and payment covers three separate events.**

**Please make sure you can attend each one.\*\***

**Dates/Times:**

Wednesday, September 27 | 12:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Wednesday, November 8 | 12:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Wednesday, December 13 | 12:00 PM - 3:30 PM

**Cost:** League Members: \$400 per person for all three sessions and \$200 for each additional attendee for all three sessions | Non-Members: \$500 per person for all three sessions and \$200 for each additional attendee for all three sessions

**Location:** Colorado League of Charter Schools Training Center, 4201 E. Yale Avenue., Denver

**Note:** Lunch will be provided at each session

**Target Audience:** Teachers, Specialists, Instructional Coaches, Support Staff, Interventionists, Administration

**Description:** In this series of professional development sessions, participants will build background knowledge creating and using effective formative and summative assessment practices in their classroom.

Attendees will be asked to bring assessment data, sample assessments, school-based lesson plans, and student work samples. In each of the sessions, participants will:

- Build background knowledge on various types of assessments
- Plan and implement assessment practices to support quality instruction
- Create structures for systematic checks for understanding
- Create quality criteria to discover what you want to learn from the assessment

**Registration:** [Click here to register](#). **Deadline:** Friday, September 22.

## 2017 Child Sexual Abuse Prevention and Intervention

## Symposium

*Hosted by the Colorado School Safety Resource Center*

**Date:** Thursday, September 28

**Time:** 7:30 AM - 3:30 PM

**Cost:** \$45.00 plus registration fees added at checkout

**Location:** Adams 12 Conference Center, 1500 E. 128th Ave., Thornton

**Description:** The School Safety Resource Center team will meet on September 28 to present a day of training on child sexual abuse prevention. This annual symposium assists school professionals, communities and law enforcement in identifying, preventing, responding to and reporting child sexual abuse. Expert presenters will train on trauma-informed practices, current research and trends, and pertinent legislation. Be sure to attend this important and supportive event that is open to the public! Watch for registration information on future E-Updates.

**Registration:** [Click here to register](#). **Deadline:** Friday, September 1.

## Instructional Coaching Practices

*Hosted by the Colorado League of Charter Schools*

**Date:** Friday, September 29

**Time:** 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

**Location:** Colorado League of Charter Schools Training Center, 4201 E. Yale Avenue, Denver

**Cost:** League Members: \$175 for one person and \$125 per additional attendee; Non-members: \$250 for one person and \$125 per additional attendee

**Description:** This workshop will focus on two instructional coaching practices: 1.) Observation/Feedback Cycles, and 2.) Data Review Meetings. Participants will:

- Learn and apply an observation/feedback protocol called the 6 Steps for Effective Feedback
- Determine what to coach along with how to coach by digging into the management and rigor trajectories for new teachers
- Master and apply a simple protocol for engaging in 1:1 data meetings that harness the standard-based teaching and learning cycle
- Learn about tools and resources for ensuring accountability loops and tracking teacher growth

### References:

Paul Bambrick-Santoyo, *Leverage Leadership: A Practical Guide to Building Exceptional Schools*, 2012.

Paul Bambrick-Santoyo, *Get Better Faster: A 90 Day Plan for Coaching New Teachers*, 2016.

Doug Lemov, *Practice Perfect: 42 Rules for Getting Better and Getting Better*, 2012.

**Registration:** [Click to register](#). **Deadline:** Wednesday, September 27.

## Deconstructing Bias: Creating Equity in Schools - Annual Educator's Conference

*Hosted by the Colorado Chapter of the National Association for Multicultural Education (CO-NAME)*

**Date:** Friday, September 29

**Time:** 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

**Cost:** \$100 per person

**Location:** Adams 12 Conference Center, 1500 E 128th Avenue, Thornton

**Description:** Learn about the national and local efforts to deconstruct bias for staff, students and families as a community.

**Registration:** [Click here to register and learn more](#).

## Implementing Effective Data Teams

*Hosted by the Colorado League of Charter Schools*

**Date:** Wednesday, October 4

Time: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

**Cost:** League Members: \$175 for one person and \$100 each additional attendee; Non-Members: \$225 for one person and \$100 each additional attendee

**Location:** Colorado League of Charter Schools Training Center, 4201 E. Yale Avenue, Denver

**Description:** In this professional development session, participants will create a product called the "Data Team Action Plan" as an end outcome. Through various readings, use of research-based resources and explicit modeling, participants will build background knowledge about data team structures. The "Data Team Action Plan" will be written as a data teams implementation plan to support data teams over time in your school as well as engage in intervention based instructional strategies that will support data teams next steps.

**Audience:** Teachers, Administrators, Instructional Coaches, Support Staff, Interventionists

**Registration:** [Click here to register.](#) **Deadline:** Friday, September 29.

## Charter Communicators Network Meeting

*Hosted by the Colorado League of Charter Schools*

*Sponsored by Edlio*

**Date:** Thursday, October 5

**Time:** 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM

**Cost:** League Members: \$25 per person; Non-members: \$75 per person

**Location:** Prospect Ridge Academy, 2555 Preble Creek Parkway, Broomfield

**Meals:** Includes coffee and lunch

**Description:** Charter Communicators Network Meetings take place three times per year. This is a chance for charter school communications staff, or any staff interested in building school communications and marketing efforts, to come together. During these meetings, attendees will network and share best practices, as well as hear from experts in the field.

**Agenda:** Coming soon.

**Registration:** [Click here to register.](#) **Deadline:** Tuesday, October 3.

## Functional Behavioral Assessments and Behavior Intervention Planning

*Hosted by the Colorado League of Charter Schools*

**Date:** Friday, October 6

**Time:** 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

**Location:** Colorado League of Charter Schools Training Center, 4201 E. Yale Avenue, Denver

**Cost:** League Members: \$175 for one person and \$125 per additional attendee; Non-members: \$225 for one person and \$125 per additional attendee

**Description:** Are students displaying challenging behaviors that impact their learning and the learning of others? Not sure where to go next? This workshop is designed to enable school administrators, special education teachers, and other stakeholders to craft effective Tier II and Tier III behavior intervention plans for struggling students. Additionally, the workshop will provide training on Functional Behavioral Assessments, an essential component of the IEP process when a behavioral or developmental disorder is suspected. School personnel will take away several resources for best practices in behavior interventions including:

- Data collection tools
- Behavior change monitoring tools
- Strategies for FAIR Plans and BIPS
- Social emotional learning intervention programs
- Sample MTSS structures for behavior/social emotional learning

**Registration:** [Click here to register.](#) **Deadline:** Wednesday, October 4.

## Social and Emotional Learning: A Practical Guide to School-Wide Implementation

*Hosted by the Colorado League of Charter Schools*

**Date:** Tuesday, October 10

**Time:** 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

**Cost:** League Members: \$75 for one person and \$50 per additional attendee; Non-members: \$125 for one person and \$50 per additional attendee

**Location:** Colorado League of Charter Schools Training Center, 4201 E. Yale Avenue, Denver

**Meals:** A light breakfast and snacks will be offered; lunch will not be provided.

**Audience:** Teachers, Administrators, MTSS support staff, counselors, support staff

**Description:** Effective Socio-Emotional Learning, as described by CASEL, includes: Explicit SEL Skills Instruction, Teacher Instructional Practices, Integration with Academic Curriculum Areas, and Organization, Climate and Cultural Strategies. Moving beyond the content of any one curriculum, this workshop explores nine critical factors for high-quality, school-wide SEL. Participants will develop a clear understanding of the "what, why, and how" of SEL and will work together in small groups to apply the 9 critical factors to their unique school setting. An exploration on the use of active engagement strategies and assessing the strengths and growth points of your setting in all aspects of SEL integration will occur.

**Registration:** [Click here to register](#). **Deadline:** Monday, October 9.

## Classroom Strategies for Teaching English-Language Learners & Overview for English Language Development Planning

*Hosted by the Colorado League of Charter Schools*

**Date:** Wednesday, October 11

**Time:** 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

**Cost:** League Members: \$175 for one person and \$100 each additional attendee; Non-Members: \$250 for one person and \$100 each additional attendee

**Location:** Colorado League of Charter Schools Training Center, 4201 E. Yale Avenue, Denver

**Description:** With the growing population of English Language Learners within our schools, it is essential that schools be prepared to meet the needs of ELL students. In order to do this, teachers and interventionists will need to understand the basic elements of WIDA standards, the features of an English Language Development Plan (ELDP), and the strategies to support learning. This training will provide an overview for creating an English Language Development Plan as well as how to utilize the WIDA standards and build a foundation for classroom strategies that can be incorporated into teaching English Language Learners. The training will focus on instructional strategies that can be used with all levels of English Language Learners; something you will also be able to experience as a participant.

**Participants will learn:**

- The key elements of an effective English Language Development Plan;
- The basics of WIDA standards and how to incorporate them into your daily learning objectives;
- Instructional research-based strategies that you can use the next day in your classroom.

**Audience:** ELA teachers, ELD teachers, ELD Coordinators, Teachers, Instructional Coaches, Interventionists

**Registration:** [Click here to register](#). **Deadline:** Friday, October 6. Event is contingent on a minimum of 8 registrants.

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