

Dear members,

CASE continues to work to get information and clarification from CDE and the Colorado Department of Early Childhood (CDEC) about universal preschool implementation. We know that frustration continues to be high in the field; please know that we share your frustration and are doing all we can to get your questions in front of the two departments and to share with them the sense among many K-12 leaders that that a significant number of issues remain unresolved or unaddressed.

Last week, CASE shared with CDE and the CDEC our most current list of questions that have been brought to us by members. You can see the complete list by clicking [here](#). The CDEC let us know that they plan to have as many of these questions as resolved as possible prior to the next Town Hall meeting which is scheduled for Thursday, March 16, from 3pm to 4pm. As soon as CASE receives the Zoom link, we'll pass that along to you.

Upcoming Town Hall meeting dates that we are aware of are:

Thursday, March 30, 2023, 12:00 to 1:00 PM

Friday, April 14, 2023, 8:00 to 9:00 AM

Please continue to share with us your questions and/or concerns so that we can forward those along to the CDEC and/or CDE. You can email CASE Deputy Executive Director Melissa Gibson at mgibson@co-case.org or call us at (303)762-8762. One of our top priorities is getting as much information and clarification as possible in writing, as we know that members have been receiving inconsistent or different information, which creates confusion and frustration.

The CDEC released the first of periodic updates on UPK implementation and issues related to serving students with special needs. If you did not receive that update, you can view it by clicking [here](#). CASE will continue to share these updates with members as we receive them too. This first update includes several questions that we have shared with the two state agencies, and we're hopeful that they address as many more as possible prior to the end of the month.

Please continue to stay in touch with us to share how UPK implementation is going in your district, and what questions you have, so that we can share this information with the CDEC and CDE. As always, thank you so much for your membership in CASE.