



COLORADO

State Board of Education

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NOTICE OF WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR LA JUNTA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL IN EAST OTERO R-1 DURING THE FEBRUARY 2025 COLORADO STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Schools and districts not meeting expectations in achievement, growth, and/or postsecondary workforce readiness, as determined by the School and District Performance Frameworks, are assigned a plan type of Priority Improvement or Turnaround. Per state law, schools and districts cannot retain one of those plan types for five consecutive years before significant action must be taken. If a school or district receives a plan type of Priority Improvement or Turnaround for five consecutive years, then the State Board of Education must direct an action to the local board of education. Under the Accountability Act, these actions may include: (1) partial or full management by a public or private entity, (2) Innovation status, (3) conversion to a charter school, (4) conversion to a community school, or (5) closure.

In 2024, La Junta Intermediate School received its fifth consecutive rating of Priority Improvement or Turnaround. East Otero R-1 will present an accountability pathway plan to the state board on February 12th, 2025, at 1:30PM (MT).

The Colorado State Board of Education is seeking input from students, families, school staff, and community members on the upcoming La Junta Intermediate School hearing. Members of the public may:

- comment on the school's current status and effectiveness, and
- provide input regarding State Board-directed actions (what should be done moving forward).

Comments may be submitted ANY of the following ways:

- By completing a [short online survey](#).
- By sending an e-mail to state.board@cde.state.co.us.
- By submitting in writing to the State Board of Education Office: State Board Office, 201 E. Colfax, Room 500, Denver, CO 80203.

Public comment submissions may not be related to personnel matters.

The deadline for all written comments is Friday, February 7th, 2025, at 5:00PM (MT). Comments will be compiled by the State Board of Education Office and sent to all State Board members. All submissions will become part of the official record for the hearings and posted publicly. Personal information will be redacted before public posting. Comments submitted in languages other than English will be translated into English as time permits. Comments received past the deadline will not be included in the record or forwarded to the State Board.

For more information about the accountability hearing process, including upcoming accountability hearings, visit the [State Board Accountability Hearings webpage](#).

