

Annual School Law Seminar | Agenda June 13, 2025

8:00 a.m. Check-in and Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m. Overview of 2025 Legislative Session

Rachel Amspoker, Senior Legal Counsel, CASB Hilary Daniels, Policy Counsel, CASB

This session will discuss the bills passed by the 2025 Colorado General Assembly and their implications for school districts.

10:00 a.m. Federal Update

Tammy Carter, Senior Director of Legal Services and NSBA Governance, National School Boards Association

This session will provide a legal update to help navigate recent federal changes. It will cover recent and pending U.S. Supreme Court decisions, with a focus on three significant education-related cases expected to be decided this term. The presentation will also include updates on executive orders and administrative actions relevant to public education—particularly in areas such as the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) and diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI).

10:50 a.m. Break

11:00 a.m. Updates from the State

Michelle Berge, First Assistant Attorney General, K-12 Unit Jenna Zerylnick, Assistant Attorney General, K-12 Unit

This session will provide updates from legal counsel to the Colorado Department of Education and the State Board of Education. It will cover the state's responses to recent federal actions, pending state litigation related to K12 schools in Colorado, new options for schools and districts coming before the State Board of Education in accountability matters, the upcoming requirements for discrimination and harassment training, and any other topics of interest to the group.

12:15 p.m. Lunch

1:00 p.m. Roundtable

This roundtable will include discussion of recent litigation or school law issues, including any topics desired by the group.

2:15 p.m. Break

2:30 p.m. Well-Being for Individuals, Leadership, Management, and Teams Stephanie Mastroantonio, Colorado Lawyer's Assistance Program

This session, presented by explores the critical importance of well-being in the legal profession - at the individual, leadership, management, and team levels. Designed specifically for legal professionals, this program addresses the unique stressors of legal work and provides practical, evidence-based tools to foster resilience, emotional intelligence, and a culture of wellness across all roles.

3:30 p.m. Closing Roundtable

This roundtable will offer participants a chance to reflect on mental health strategies shared in the COLAP presentation and to continue conversation from the previous roundtable discussion.

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