



2024 CCHE Retreat Agenda
Wednesday, July 24 – Friday, July 26, 2024
Western Colorado University, Gunnison

Retreat Objective: CCHE Commissioners and Advisors will depart the retreat having achieved the following goals:

- **Develop & Deepen Understanding** – onboard new Commissioners in work stream already underway, establish connections between Commission and Department
- **Align & Prioritize a CCHE Work Plan Aligned to Strategic Plan** – review work underway in key initiatives, develop benchmarks and next steps
- **Allow for Open Dialogue** – understanding of key work of the department who is leading, the role of CCHE and how we build an inclusive collaboration
- **Focus on How Work Will Move Forward** – conversations from the retreat are intended to advance the work in the coming year

WEDNESDAY, JULY 24

Depart for Gunnison, CO

3:00-5:00 p.m. **Check-In [Holiday Inn Express and Suites Gunnison](#)**
910 E. Tomichi Ave., Gunnison, CO 81230
970-641-1288

5:45 p.m. Meet in hotel Lobby for Transportation to campus

6:00 p.m. **President's Dinner**
Western Colorado University
Leslie J. Savage Library
1 Western Way
Gunnison, CO 81231

8:30 p.m. **Return to Hotel**



THURSDAY, JULY 25

- 6:00 -10:00 a.m. **Hotel Breakfast available**
- 7:30 – 8:30 a.m. **New Commissioner Orientation**
Hotel Conference Room
- 8:45 a.m. **Shuttle Pick up from Hotel**
Travel to [Western Colorado University](#)
- 9:00 a.m. **Welcome**
Western Colorado University, Ballroom
- President Brad Baca, Western Colorado University
- 9:20 a.m. **Retreat Begins**
LOCATION: Western Colorado University, University Center 102
1 Western Way, Gunnison, CO 81231 ([Main campus map](#), [Parking map](#))
- ZOOM:** [Zoom Link CCHE Retreat 7.25.24](#)
Meeting ID: 819 3276 7274 Passcode: 814919
- 9:20 a.m. **Call to Order**
- Call to Order & Goals of Retreat- Chair Jennifer Walmer
 - Strategic Plan Alignment- Vice Chair Lisandra Gonzales
- 9:30 a.m. **Potential Implications of Property Tax Initiatives**
- Facilitator- Commissioner Aaron Harber
 - Presenter- Director Mark Ferrandino, Office of State Planning & Budget
- 10:00 a.m. **CCHE Welcome**
- Dr. Angie Paccione, Executive Director
- 10:15 a.m. **What Drives Us All To Do This Work**
- Facilitator- Commissioner Teresa Kostenbauer
- 10:45 a.m. **Virtual Visit from Governor Polis**



- 11:00 a.m. **HB22-1349 Implementation and Minimum Value Threshold Calculations**
- Facilitator- Chair Jennifer Walmer
 - Presenters- Michael Vente, Chief Performance Officer & Senior Director of Research & Data, CDHE; Josh Scott, Former CCHE Commissioner; Emily House, Senior Advisor – Education Strategy Group
 - CCHE Q&A and Discussion
- 12:30 p.m. **Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m. **HB 22-1215 Updates/”The Big Blur”**
- Facilitator- Commissioner Jim Wilson
 - Presenters- Advisor Danielle Ongart; Carl Einhaus, Senior Director of Student Success & P-20 Alignment and Colorado GEAR UP Project Director, CDHE
- 2:00 p.m. **Break**
- 2:15 p.m. **Funding Allocation Formula Overview and Next Steps**
- Facilitator- Commissioner Eric Tucker
 - Presenters- Crystal Collins- Chief Financial Officer, CDHE; Corey Evans, Budget Director, CDHE; Advisor Mark Superka
- 3:45 p.m. **Commissioner Training**
- Presenter- Michael McMaster, Attorney General’s Office
- 4:30 p.m. **Retreat Ends/Return to Hotel**
- 5:45 p.m. **Shuttle Pick Up from Hotel for Dinner**
- 6:00 p.m. Dinner [Blackstock Bistro](#)

FRIDAY, JULY 28

- 6:00 -10:00 a.m. **Hotel Breakfast available**
- 7:45 a.m. **Transportation to Campus**
- 8:00 a.m. **Campus Tour**
- President Brad Baca, Western Colorado University



- 9:00 a.m. **Retreat Resumes**
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ZOOM: [Zoom Link CCHE Retreat 7.26.24](#)
Meeting ID: 815 7812 0553 Passcode: 986573
- 9:00 a.m. **Simplicity, Transparency, Equity, Portability: SB24-164 and the Long Game on Student Transfer**
- Facilitator- Commissioner Berrick Abramson
 - Presentation- Dr. Sarah Heath, Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs, Colorado Community College System; Dr. Chris Rasmussen, Senior Director of Academic Pathways and Innovation, CDHE
- 10:00 a.m. **Office of Educational Equity: A Look Forward**
- Presentation- Dr. Gillian McKnight-Tutein, Senior Educational Equity Officer, CDHE
- 10:30 a.m. **Chair/Vice Chair Wrap Up**
- 11:00 a.m. **Break**
- 11:15 a.m. **Business Meeting**
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1 Western Way, Gunnison, CO 81231 ([Main campus map](#), [Parking map](#))
ZOOM: [Zoom Link Business Meeting 7.26.24](#)
Meeting ID: 848 0196 7109 Passcode: 601811
- 12:00 p.m. **Adjourn** (Boxed lunches)

