Educational Success Task Force

- Executive Branch Task Force
  - Created in Department of Education.
  - Majority of members appointed by the State Board of Education and the Colorado Commission on Higher Education.
  - Appointments based on experience and expertise in relevant areas.
  - Two-year study.
- Legislative Interim Committee
  - Six members appointed by the leadership in the House of Representatives and the Senate.
  - Legislative members can request and approve bills to be introduced by the legislative members of the ESTF.

Charge

- To review data and studies concerning student academic "transition" points.
- To recommend strategies and tools for identifying and remediating students at the significant transition points.
- To work closely with the Governor's Education Leadership Council.

Duties

- Identify key academic transition points where performance is critical to ensuring that student can demonstrate postsecondary and workforce readiness no later than high school graduation.

- Review data and research on intervention education services and remedial education and identify best practices and strategies.

- Review the use of student ICAPs and recommend diagnostic use of assessments to inform ICAPs and the use of intervention strategies.

Duties

- Review the practice of social promotion and recommend alternative strategies.

- Review state statutes, State Board of Education rules, and Colorado Commission on Higher Education guidelines relating to intervention education services and remedial education and recommend any necessary changes to assist school districts, public schools, and institutions of higher education.

Education Success Task Force as Legislative Interim Committee

- Task Force can recommend up to 8 bills to the Legislative Council.
- October 4 ESTF meeting: Task force submits bill requests to OLLS.
  - Bills drafted and distributed for review prior to the next meeting.
- October 25 ESTF meeting: Final approval of bill drafts.
  - Bills require approval of majority of legislative members.
- November 8: Legislative Council meets to review and approve all bills submitted by legislative interim committees.

Education Success Task Force in Executive Branch

Reports:

- To Education Committees of the House and Senate.
  - Report progress in January of 2012 and 2013.
- To State Board of Education and Colorado Commission on Higher Education.
  - All initial findings and recommendations by July 1, 2012.
  - Any additional or final findings and recommendations by July 1, 2013.