



Response, Innovation, and Student Equity Fund

The \$32.7 million RISE fund supports high-needs school districts, charter schools, and public institutions of higher education to address the learning challenges related to the economic, social, and health impacts of COVID-19 in a manner that creates sustainable innovations that improve student learning, close equity gaps, and enhance operational efficiency for pre-K-12 through higher education.

ROUND 1 WINNERS:

- **Centennial BOCES:** \$482,091 for a partnership between the Immigrant and Refugee Center of Northern Colorado, UNC, and CSU to improve student and family outcomes for migrant families.
- **Fort Lewis College:** \$3,607,096 for the Southwest Colorado District Collaborative, a partnership between Pueblo Community College and Southwest CO school districts to pool resources and build strong postsecondary pathways for students in the build trades and environmental science.
- **Lake County School District:** \$492,149 for a Mobile Learning Center that will be housed in a repurposed school bus to bring school-based resources and learning opportunities directly to students.
- **Academy of Advanced Learning and Coperni 2&3:** \$723,000 to reimagine school by advancing a “one classroom, three locations” instructional model and providing credit to students for experiences, not just academic learning.
- **University of Northern Colorado:** \$2,369,999 for a partnership with Weld County District 6 to improve kindergarten readiness for children with disabilities.
- **Peyton School District:** \$852,541 to develop an innovative postsecondary and workforce readiness program in partnership with neighboring postsecondary institutions.
- **Silverton School Districts:** \$297,500 to bring the Silverton School campus into their communities’ homes by expanding family outreach, choice, and supporting families’ needs like food, rent, mental and physical health .
- **Elizabeth School District:** \$555,909 for a partnership between Big Sandy, Calhan, Elbert, the Colorado Education Initiative, and Colorado Succeeds to develop intentional career pathways in cybersecurity, construction, and agriculture.
- **Montrose County School District RE-1J:** \$846,320 for a partnership between Hilltop Family Resource Center, Center for Mental Health (CMH), and local police departments to address adverse childhood experiences.
- **Centennial School District R-1:** \$851,369 for a partnership with History Colorado to integrate local San Luis Valley history into social studies, civics, and history curriculum.
- **Clear Creek School District:** \$375,700 to partner with their students to create and implement a student-led CCSD Recovery Plan that includes resource realignment, professional learning, and community building.
- **Charter School Institute:** \$277,591 to provide targeted academic support to students at all three campuses of the New America Schools.
- **Metro State University of Denver:** \$2,385,045 for a structured educational pathway to successfully motivate and lead students of color, underserved, and rural students from 9th grade through college graduation and into the Colorado workforce, particularly in rural areas.