

CSFP Briefing Document: Reasons Districts in Trouble

Ten Reasons Colorado School Districts are in Trouble

1. No stability or commitment to funding public education
2. Enrollment as a state is increasing – impact to school districts varies
3. No state commitment for capital needs of a school district
4. Tax payer equity issues impact local tax support for funding
5. Student demographics changing – minimal differentiated financial support for programs
6. Teacher recruitment a challenge for many districts
7. Teacher compensation much lower than national average
8. Length of school year has been shortened – furloughs and reductions
9. Technology challenges: connectivity, broadband, equipment replacement, licensing costs
10. Staff development need for new standards and academic expectations