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Adams 12	\$12,000,000	\$12,000,000	Likely cut 51 teachers, 4 administrators, 5 clerical and other support. Have cut positions in prior years, too.	Proposing increased pension contribution, proposed 3% cut in employee compensation.	Proposing furlough days	Elementary classes grow by 3-5 students. All high school classes grow by one student each.						\$15 per sport increase for athletic fees. Textbook fee implemented in 2011-12. Fee to ride buses in 2010-11.						Since 2006-07 Adams 12 cut \$60M. Cutting for the 6th time in 7 years. 2011-12 cut 72 full-time classroom teachers and 82 other certified staff members. Supt Gdowski "continued cuts impact district's ability to implement state's new, more stringent academic standards... expects cuts to continue for foreseeable future."
Aurora Public Schools	\$5,000,000	\$10,000,000		Freeze salaries, implement early retirement program	possible	Increase by .5 to 1 student						\$1 day/bus, reduce budgets for athletics		possibly				Look at outsourcing. Cut \$25.1M in 2011-12.

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Aspen						May have sales tax increase to keep cuts away from classroom. Have maxed out mill levy.											Cut over \$2.4M over past two years, expect more cuts
Boulder Valley (MLO 2010)	\$13,000,000	\$13,000,000				maybe											Concern on new educator effectiveness could cost \$3M to implement, new standards require new textbooks, teacher training. Maintain previous cuts.
Brush	\$240,000	\$240,000															Board discussions ongoing
Canon City	\$950,000	\$950,000	Elimiate energy mgt, director of instruction and assessment, offer early retirement.	freeze for 2nd year, may consider 1% salary reduction of all employees, eliminate long term disability insurance.		Done in prior years, may increase again by 0.5 - 1.0.					Done in prior years.	Done in prior years. Will combine middle school athletic programs and increase participation fees.	Closing 2 schools.				Since 2009 have eliminated 40 jobs, \$3.5M, 12% of our budget. Investigating BEST project \$1.3M in building needs.

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Cherry Creek																		Per pupil rate for 2012-13 \$6,272, which is less than 2007-08 rate of 2007-08. May go for Bond election Fall 2013.
Colorado Springs D-11	\$7,000,000	\$9,000,000	Cut 17 positions, slight cut in SPED assistant hours, more than 12 administrators in central office, may eliminate all literacy specialists,	Salary & benefits not comparable with nearby districts now.	Add 2 furlough days.				Consider online classes to save money?				Increase parking fees,	Closed 9 schools since 1996 don't have the time to prepare to close schools by 2012-13. Maintenance and vehicle needs have fallen behind				7th year of deep cuts for district. Holding 11 community meetings to discuss options, answer questions.
Crested Butte	\$800,000	\$1,000,000																Over \$1M cut in last 3 years.
Delta County 50	\$1,200,000	\$1,200,000		\$200K increase in PERA,														Used \$1M to cover 2011-12 cuts.

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Denver Public Schools			no teacher cuts		no furlough days	no increase				Decrease student-based budget \$4M				Use \$20M of reserves (leaves \$52M for 13-14), Reduce operating exp \$1.5M. Fed and Title 1 decreasing \$2.7M			Over last 4 years lost \$1K per student.	
Douglas County	\$18,100,000	\$21,500,000	Might cut 80 HS teachers by requiring teachers to teach more sections.	Increase costs for medical and PERA, addition 2,000 students in 12-13 will impact decisions.		Class sizes have increased over past years hitting 46 to 52 in some classes	Already reduced graduation requirements.	Require HS teachers to teach additional class, cutting 80 positions, saving \$5.7M. HS offer more, but shorter length periods, students would be limited to 5 to 7 classes, not full 8 periods.	Already charge to ride the bus.					Use \$20M of reserves (leaves \$52M for 13-14), Reduce operating exp \$1.5M. Fed and Title 1 decreasing \$2.7M			March state forecast may change from \$124 per student cut to \$25. Deep cuts in 2010 and 2011 forced layoffs, altered class schedules and other cost-cutting moves.	
Durango 9-R	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	possible.									possible					Holding conversations with community.	

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Eagle County	\$5,500,000	\$5,500,000	May cut up to 70 full-time positions. Reduce building by 50 FTE. Cut 15% of staff by this award winning district. Third year of job cuts. 100 jobs the first two years.	All employees a 1.5% pay cut, major changes to health care coverage, healthcare costs rising faster than inflation.		maybe	Scale back electives, art, music, pe. Art teachers told to prepare curriculum so someone who isn't an artist can teach.		Reductions to transportation budget			possible		Used \$1.6M from reserves for 2011-12, not available for 2012-13			Foundation created to collect private donations for public school staffing.	

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Garfield Re-2 Rifle	\$1,800,000	\$1,800,000	possible, Retirement settlements could prompt early retirement for 15-20 teachers	No salary raises for 3 years.	maybe		possible					May cut transportation		\$1,000,000 deficit spend per yr for next 4 yrs from \$12.3M reserve. District has \$12.8M in fund balance, spending \$2M over next two years. Plans to spend \$4M over next 4 yrs brining fund balance to \$8M. Maintaining reserve: can meet financial obligations w/o borrowing from state, higher bond rating important when passing bonds for school construction flexibility		Changing to 4 day week after 4 years of cuts.	Wants to hear from community. Over last 3 years, cut about \$3M, already cut the low hanging fruit. May receive \$1.15M in underpaid taxes from oil and gas - one time money.
Grand Junction School district 51	\$5,000,000	\$8,000,000														Discussing, could save \$1M - \$1.5M	

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Gunnison REIJ	\$250,000	\$250,000	2 retired Elementary positions not replaced.								Set back \$190K textbook adoption - will stay with 2002 science textbooks.	Cut transportation, utility expenses.		\$150,000 from reserves.			District cut over \$1M in last 3 years. 2011-12 significant programs or positions eliminated in alternative education, arts, languages and other areas.
Jefferson County	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000	Continue 3% cut to school staff (3rd year), eliminate 31 Central admin positions.		two furlough days being considered.									Use \$5M from reserves 2012-13, \$3M from Capital Transfer Funds			2 yr plan, cut \$20M yr 1, \$44M yr 2. In 2013-14 would have 600 job reductions, no Outdoor Lab. May have Mill and/or Bond for 2013.
Lewis Palmer D-38	\$1,300,000	1,3,000,000	Cut staff			Cut budgets for building supplies, cut preschool.				Cut bus routes	Cut utility spending		Will charge bus fee .50 per ride, could generate \$200K/yr.				3 years of cuts
Mesa County District 51	\$2,000,000	\$4,000,000		Cut \$1M from GF to fund PERA										Cut \$1M from GF to fund capital projects, including maintenance work and district/s computer lease at 2011-12 level.		No	May need to cut another \$1-\$2M from GF due to declining enrollment.

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Monte Vista	\$140,000	\$140,000	Max of 3-4 cut	Max \$140K from salaries and benefits						maybe \$50K reduction in supplies & material expenditures					\$100K reduce capital outlay				
Peetz Plateau	\$60,000	\$60,000																	"We're pretty bare after four, five years of cuts."
Pueblo City 60	\$2,200,000	\$2,200,000												Close schools					Early on in conversati ons
Pueblo County 70							Cut Futures Academy (alternative school, gr 6- 12) - will require students to attend classes online, fits need of many kids, but not all. Save \$250K per year.												
RE-1 Valley																			Task force to look into 4 day week.
Rifle	\$600,000	\$600,000				Trying not to cut at classroom level				charge fee? Corridor bussing?									

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Roaring Fork Re-1 (MLO 2011)	\$350,000	\$700,000																After making more than \$5M in cuts over past two years (wages frozen 2 years, 1% pay cut for all), one time stipend in 2012.
St. Vrain Valley	\$11,000,000	\$11,000,000		"A permanent pay freeze isn't a sustainable strategy."									Freeze technology and not purchase new textbooks		Only \$8.5M in reserves			Will not restore prior year staffing.
Steamboat Springs	\$23,000	\$23,000																
Summit (MLO Fall 2010)	\$469,000	\$469,000		\$200,000 in mandatory retirement costs	Furlough 3 days.		Reduce IB coordination, cut French and German teachers - students will have to pay \$150 to take class online. Grants disappearing.				Reduce all operating budgets 5%, fee for classroom supplies, inc parking fees.		Inc MS and HS sport fees, Inc price for lunches.					Talking with community about possible cuts

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Thompson Valley	\$6,000,000	\$9,500,000	Cutting \$2.1M in 47.3 Full-time Positions. Eliminated 40 positions in 2011 will not replace.		possible		Advanced Placement, IB, literacy support in Elementaries, Eliminate busing for summer program			\$500K-\$1M: charge students, combine ES and MS routes, eliminate HS routes, eliminate field trips,			Fee for transportation to/from school. Other fees possible. French and German classes will be fee based at \$150 per online class.		Use \$3.5M to help cover some of \$7.25M shortfall			fourth year of cuts. Asking public for cost-savings measures, 4 day week, cut instructional coaches, reduce managers, create budget force task force.
Trinidad	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	possibly	Employess pay \$265 more per month for	possibly	probably	probably	probably		possibly	possibly			No, spent reserves in prior years, \$1.5M in reserves now.			Community discussions in progress about how to move forward.	
Woodland Park																		With 12-13 cut, will have cut \$4,000,000 in past four years.
31 of 178 districts	\$100,482,000	\$113,632,000	13	11	7	8	8	1	2	5	6	4	9	4	13	0	4	