7th Year of Colorado’s Negative Factor
FY 2009-10 to FY2015-16

• **Districts have & continue to cut budgets**
• **CSFP to Superintendents: What Would You Do with Additional Funds?** @COSFP Tweeting
• **Urban:** Provide sufficient mobile computing in classrooms for accelerated learning & PARCC and CMAS testing
• **Southern Mountains:** Replace outdated classroom technology, purchase badly needed up-to-date instructional materials

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**Continued needs:**

• **Four Corners:** Purchase technology to expand to more classrooms and students.
• **Plains:** Provide intervention program for students below grade level in math and LA.
• **Rural:** Purchase curriculum: 4th grade social studies copyright 1974, HS science and social studies 10-15 years old.
• **South Central:** We need computers.
• **Central Mtns:** Increase staff compensation
• **Statewide (safety):** Upgrade aging buses, address building maintenance
Colorado’s Negative Factor

- FY 2009-10: $130M
- FY 2010-11: $381M
- FY 2011-12: $774M
- FY 2012-13: $1.001B
- FY 2013-14: $1.004B
- FY 2014-15: $880M
- FY 2015-16: Amount yet to be finalized.

School Finance & the Legislature

- School Finance ???
  - Possible $20M additional for Rural district
  - Possible $25M buy down of Negative Factor
  - Governor requested $200M
  - NF approximately: $855 to $860 range - TBD
- School Finance Task Force Bill ???
  - Task Force: Legislative Committee, along with experts looking at school finance/tax policy, multi-year committee.
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