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Denver Public Schools Selects CenterPoint Education Solutions as a Qualified Professional Development Service Provider

WASHINGTON, D.C., October 3, 2018 – CenterPoint Education Solutions, (www.centerpoineducation.org) a leading provider of curriculum, instruction, and assessment solutions, has been selected by Denver Public Schools as a qualified vendor to support the district with professional development services for the 2018-2019 school year.

Designed to meet the goals outlined in *The Denver Plan 2020*, CenterPoint's approach can support the district with customized and comprehensive professional learning to building sustainable staff capacity. The CenterPoint professional learning programs are designed to deepen teachers' understanding of the Colorado Academic Standards and tailored to meet district goals and instructional priorities to make a lasting difference in student outcomes.

CenterPoint has supported Denver Public Schools with professional development services previously, beginning work there in 2016 when CenterPoint experts helped the district implement the "Foundations of Early Literacy" through grade-level and English language learner-specific trainings for the district's 2,500+ Pre-K to grade 3 teachers and leaders (with our partner SchoolKit). This work continued in 2017 with customized virtual and in-person sessions for literacy coaches and building administrators. Through implementing new effective teaching strategies, Denver Public Schools saw a 18% increase over the previous year in achievement scores for their third grade English language learner students, as reported by Chalkbeat Colorado, an impressive stride in closing achievement gaps between traditionally underserved students and their peers.

"Professional learning that shifts teacher practice and ultimately improves student achievement is not 'one size fits all.' Nor is it something that is "done for" a district. These are collaborative efforts that require deep engagement of educators," says Laura Slover, CEO of CenterPoint. "We partner with school and district staff to customize our work to meet our partners' instructional priorities, address trends in student and teacher data, include innovative technologies, and align with school and district schedules. We are deeply committed to improving teaching and learning for every school team with which we work."

CenterPoint has a strong track record of supporting states, districts, and schools with professional learning services, along with curriculum, instruction, and assessment solutions. In addition to Denver Public Schools, CenterPoint is approved in New Mexico Public Education Department, New York City Department of Education, Seattle Public Schools, Chicago Public Schools, and Austin Independent School District.

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About CenterPoint Education Solutions

At CenterPoint Education Solutions, we work with schools, education systems, and like-minded organizations to provide a suite of reliable assessments, high-quality content and curriculum development services, and build educator capacity through expert professional learning solutions that catalyze teacher practice, deepen student learning, fuel meaningful policy, and promote equity. To learn more visit www.centerpointeducation.org.

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