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Coeur d'Alene Education Partnership to host Coeur d'Alene School District State of the District event

The Coeur d'Alene Education Partnership will present a State of the District community event in partnership with the Coeur d'Alene School District from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 29 in the Community Room of the Coeur d'Alene Public Library. Parents, teachers, students, and community members are invited to attend. The library is located at 702 E. Front.

Topics to be discussed include a district performance report from Superintendent Matt Handelman, an update on the district's new safety and security enhancements, information about the Idaho Core Standards and the Smarter Balanced Field Test, and a presentation about the district's strategic planning project titled Our Schools, Our Future.

"We are always eager to let the community know what we are up to and why," said Coeur d'Alene School District Superintendent Matt Handelman. "We appreciate the CEP for inviting us to another venue in which we can share and answer questions that the public may have about our work."

Each topic will be presented by district representatives and will be followed by a question and answer session moderated by the Coeur d'Alene Education Partnership. Superintendent Handelman will give an overview of the district, present district achievement data, and provide updates on facilities. Wendell Wardell, Chief Operating Officer, and Laura Rumpler, Director of Communications, will provide information on the district's new security and safety enhancements. Mike Nelson, the district's Director of Curriculum and Assessments, and Shanna Marshall, a 4th grade teacher for Sorensen Magnet School for the Arts and Humanities, will present information about the Idaho Core Standards and the Smarter Balanced Field Test. The final presentation will

be by Superintendent Handelman on the district's new strategic plan and his leadership philosophy.

The event will be recorded and will air on CDATV Channel 19 throughout the month of February.

"We are delighted to have another opportunity to work with the school district and to facilitate an event that brings valuable and important information about our schools to the community," said Coeur d'Alene Education Partnership President Nancy Hart. "Our organization is dedicated to advocating for excellence in public education and this event provides the community an opportunity to hear about current topics directly from the district's administration."

The Coeur d'Alene Education Partnership is an independent, nonprofit partnership driven by the belief that every student in the school district deserves a public education of the highest quality. CEP brings together individuals, businesses, and organizations in support of excellence in public education, keeps the community informed about educational developments, and advocates on a local and state level for superior public schools.

Information about the Coeur d'Alene Education Partnership, its programs, and links to education resources is available at www.cdaep.org.