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RURAL COLORADO MULTI-TIERED SYSTEM OF SUPPORTS SUMMIT

Seize this opportunity to build on the work you're already doing—shape what's next, create lasting change, and help drive meaningful progress that uplifts our rural communities. Dive into engaging workshops and interactive skill-building sessions led by district, regional, community, and state partners.

Explore key topics including:

- Leadership Strategies for Rural Success
- Fostering Positive School Culture and Climate
- Building Strong Family, School, and Community Partnerships Across the Tiers of Support
- Delivering High-Quality Instruction Across a Layered Continuum of Support

When:

- July 31st, 2025, 7:30 am 4:30 pm
- August 1st, 2025, 7:30 am 4:00 pm

Where:

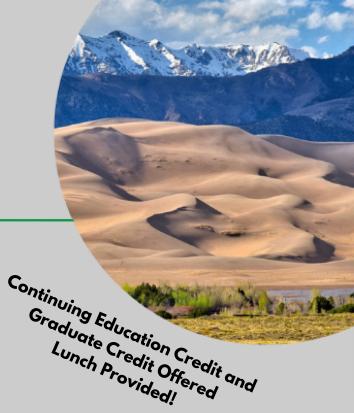
Adams State University, McDaniel Hall Alamosa, Colorado











RURAL COMTSS SUMMIT

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Day 1 Keynote Speakers



San Luis Valley BOCES Executive Director George Welsh is a 28-year Colorado resident with a BA in Secondary Education and an MA in Education Leadership. Mr. Welsh is in the midst of a 38-year career in public education serving at all levels from classroom teacher to principal, central office administrator, 25 years as a Superintendent of Schools, and now as a BOCES Executive Director.



Joanna Bruno, Ph.D. is the Chief Academic Officer at the Colorado Department of Education. She has worked at the department since 2006, in various roles, to advance educational equity for all students and champion teachers as leaders. She currently oversees the work of the Teaching and Learning and Exceptional Student Services Units, continually advocating for increasing access for all students in our evolving education landscape. Joanna is a proud Colorado native with deep roots in the San Luis Valley and one who has worked in rural, charter, private, and urban education settings.



Christina started her career in education over 20 years ago in New Mexico where she was awarded the Golden Apple as middle school Teacher of the Year. She later moved to Colorado and became an instructional coach, worked for the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) in improvement planning and then became a school improvement and turnaround consultant. Most recently she served as superintendent for a small, rural district in the San Luis Valley and returned to the CDE to lead the Field Services and Supports Unit.





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Day 2 Keynote Speaker



Join us for an inspiring session with <u>Dr. Kelly B. Forbes</u>, founder of Kelly B's Consulting and expert in multilingual education and culturally responsive teaching. A dynamic educator and performer, Dr. Forbes brings energy, insight, and a deep commitment to equity and belonging in schools.





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