



Public School Finance Task Force Agenda
Questions from Task Force Members

1. **Question #1:** Scope question - it seems like item E has already been decided and is not part of the discussion for the task force, is that correct?
2. **Question #1 Response:** Current school district requirements to distribute mill override revenue to charter schools per [House Bill 17-1375](#) apply solely to charter and innovation schools authorized by school districts, not Charter School Institute (CSI) schools which are the focus of item E.
 - a. The Mill Levy Equalization Fund, also created by House Bill 17-1375, is funded through state appropriations and provides funds to CSI schools located in districts that have passed mill levy overrides. The funds must be distributed on an equal per student basis across CSI schools.
 - b. While CSI schools have access to the Mill Levy Equalization Fund, this funding is equal across CSI schools (with a per-student limit calculated from the mill levy override of the applicable local district), and does not equate to equalization in mill levy overrides for CSI schools, or consider multi-district online programs or total program funding.
 - c. Variances occur between what CSI schools receive under the Mill Levy Equalization Fund and what district charter schools receive under the Mill Levy Override, although they operate in the same area.
3. **Question #2:** Can agendas be set by task force members?
4. **Question #2 Response:** The Task Force Chair and facilitator with the support of CDE will set the agendas for task force meetings in alignment with the facilitation requirements of Senate Bill 23-287 and the specific charge of the task force. Surveys, meeting discussions and other forms of outreach will be used to solicit input on meeting agendas from task force members.
5. **Question #3:** Can any task member add agenda items?
6. **Question #3 Response:** The Task Force Chair and facilitator with the support of CDE will set the agendas for task force meetings in alignment with the facilitation requirements of Senate Bill 23-287 and the specific charge of the task force. Surveys, meeting discussions and other forms of outreach will be used to solicit input on meeting agendas from task force members.



7. **Question #4:** Can any task force members ask research questions - if a Task force member has a question, does it go through the chair or Nick?
8. **Question # 4 Response:** All topical and logistical questions from task force members should be provided in writing via email to Amy Carman, Executive Director of School Finance and Grants (carman_a@cde.state.co.us).
9. **Question #5:** Will this powerpoint be provided to task force members?
10. **Question # 5 Response:** The presentation and any discussion materials for each task force meeting will be posted on the Colorado Department of Education [task force website](#) following the meeting.