Denver Plan discussion at ELA District Advisory Committee Meeting
What is the Denver Plan?

Starting in 2005, the District began creating five-year strategic plans to set the vision for the district and align activities of Denver Public Schools.
2014 Denver Plan

Why are we updating the plan?
• Clarity and shared vision around:
  o What we believe in
  o Where we are going
  o How we are going to get

• We have learned and evolved since we updated the Denver Plan in 2010
What will the plan look like?

• Goal is to finalize plan in June
• It will be short and sweet
  • Shared vision
  • Core beliefs and core values
  • Theory of Action
  • 3-5 five-year outcomes
  • 3-5 high-level strategies
• Subsequent phases will go into more depth
Draft core beliefs

1. All children come to us with talent and potential.
2. Our diversity is a wonderful gift and equity is at the core of our mission.
3. We can and will eliminate the achievement gap.
4. Major change is necessary to ensure all children succeed.
5. Strong teams of great educators make the difference.
6. Our children need all of us.

(Developed 1/10/14)
Shaped by the insights of many

- School Support Teams/District level
- **School leaders** (DPS-run and charter)
- Teachers
- **Student Board of Education**
- Parents and community leaders

*Note: Where possible, we will seek to use existing meetings to get thoughts and insights*
Feedback Activity

Turn and Talk (5 minutes)

– Do you think these core beliefs will be compelling to our community (parents, students, educators, etc.)

– Are these core beliefs inspiring to you?

– Is there anything missing?

– Which core belief is your favorite?

Complete the feedback form and give to DPS staff person
Your Role

• Feedback on Core Beliefs (today and ongoing)
• Support conversations with other parents and people in your community
  – We are providing a high level summary of the Denver Plan development process and draft core beliefs
  – Please look for opportunities within your schools (such as PTA or CSC meetings) and community events to share what you learned today about the Denver Plan

Feedback on draft Denver Plan (spring)
Denver Plan Update 2014

You are part of the vision – thank you!