## CU Denver School of Education & Human Development: "Way Ahead of the Curve" [1]

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CU Denver's <u>School of Education and Human Development</u> [3] (SEHD) hosted a roundtable discussion focusing on teacher preparation programs. Participating in the discussion was U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan, who was joined by Denver Public Schools (DPS) superintendent Tom Boasberg, as well as SEHD student Linda Abeyta and SEHD alum and current DPS teacher Tania Hogan. The visit was part of a SEHD town hall discussion on "Partnerships & Pathways for Preparing Teachers."

About 145 educators from across Colorado attended, including district officials, foundation leaders, and Teach for America representatives. The panel discussion was followed by roundtable discussions on several issues, including Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) preparation, special education, and digital learners.

U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan said the SEHD is "way ahead of the curve" in giving student teachers real-world classroom time and support. Duncan also praised SEHD's <a href="Student Teacher Residency program">Student Teacher Residency program</a> [4] as well as its <a href="NxtGEN">NxtGEN</a> [5], a first-of-its-kind undergraduate four-year residency developed in partnership with DPS.

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