



## YAVAPAI COUNTY EDUCATION SERVICE AGENCY

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# Press Release

Governor Doug Ducey's Classrooms First Initiative Council Goes "On The Road"

PHOENIX – Governor Doug Ducey's Classrooms First Initiative Council will hold its next meeting at the Yavapai County Education Service Agency in Prescott on Thursday, October 8.

The Council, announced by Governor Ducey in May, is tasked with modernizing the school finance code to ensure adequate funding is made available for teachers and classroom instruction. Council members presented preliminary recommendations on September 22.

"The Classrooms First Council is working hard to fulfill the charge of the governor by working in the most transparent and inclusive manner possible for the good of all Arizonans," said council member Tim Carter, Yavapai County School Superintendent. "It is our hope that by inviting stakeholder groups and individuals to join our meetings in Prescott on October 8th and in Tucson on October 29th, it will make the process of receiving feedback even more accessible for the public and more welcoming of all views."

In an effort to gather feedback from stakeholders, education leaders and citizens across the state, both October council meetings will be held outside of Phoenix. Public and stakeholder feedback is essential to the work of the council and all meetings will allow for public comment.

"As the Council works to reform Arizona's school funding structure, we remain focused on making the process as transparent as possible," said Council co-chair Jim Swanson. "Taking the Classrooms First Council on the road creates a unique opportunity for council members to hear feedback from across the state."

For more information on the Classrooms First Initiative Council, including past meeting materials, please visit: <http://azgovernor.gov/governor/priorities/equal-access-education>.

**WHO:** Classrooms First Initiative Council

**WHAT:** Working Group Meetings 10:00 am – 2:00 pm  
Full Council Meeting 2:30 pm

**WHEN:** Thursday, October 8, 2015

**WHERE:** Yavapai County Education Service Agency  
Giffin/Taylor Training Room  
2970 Centerpointe East Drive  
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