

**New York State Education Department
Title I Committee of Practitioners (COPS) Meeting
Thursday, January 22, 2026 @ 1:00 – 2:30 PM**

Topic	Presenter	Time
Welcome	Theresa Billington Assistant Commissioner, Office of Accountability	1:00 – 1:05
Federal Policy Uncertainty	Jeff Matteson Senior Deputy Commissioner, Office of Education Policy	1:05 – 1:20
Foundation Aid Formula Proposal	Christina Coughlin Chief Financial Officer	1:20 – 1:35
Plan Pilot	Nicole Lennon Special Projects Assistant, Office of Policy Research & Development Allison Armour-Garb Senior Advisor, Office of Policy Research & Development	1:35 – 1:55
Updates from the Office of Early Learning	Erik Sweet Director, Office of Early Learning	1:55-2:10
Funding in 853 Coalition Districts	Erica Meaker Assistant Commissioner, Office of Federal Programs Caralee Kardash Director of Special Education Services – Office of Special Education Suzanne Bolling Assistant Counsel, Office of Special Education	2:10-2:25
Wrap Up	Erica Meaker Assistant Commissioner, Office of Federal Programs	2:25 - 2:30

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