# CSDB Board of Trustees

# Superintendent’s Report

# November 2023

## Student Enrollment

## As of October 18, 2023

Total Number of Students Currently Served Statewide 576

Total Number of Students Served on Campus since August 2022 164

Current Campus 3-21 Enrollment 163

Students in the School for the Deaf:

Preschool 7

K-5th 21

6-8th 24

9-12th 29

Bridges to Life 11

Total 92

Students in the School for the Blind:

Preschool 2

K-5th 19

6th-8th 16

9-12th 26

Bridges to Life 8

Total 71

Day Students 126

Residential Students 37

Parent Option 18

District Option 145

Teacher/Student Ratio 1:4

CHIP (Deaf) 328

CHIP (Deafblind) 12

Blind: Birth – 3 yrs. 21

Direct Outreach 52

ELDI Programs 101

## Interim Superintendent

* Hybrid Board Meetings – staff members from IT, Communications, Superintendent’s Office and Interpreting had several meetings in October to discuss and test a new set-up to allow for more efficient hybrid board meetings. The testing was successful, and we will be holding the next Board meeting in the Gottlieb Auditorium to see if this is successful.
* Attended the White Cane Celebration at Acacia Park on October 13, 2023. The celebration had a great turn out, and for the first time, students in the School for the Deaf came to support the students in The School for the Blind.
* Signed contract for ADA Playground on October 17, and the ADA Playground Committee has been established and will hold their kick-off meeting on November 1st.
* Attended the Dorm Fall Festival at Diana’s Pumpkin Patch in Canyon City on October 17th. This is an annual tradition, and it was great to interact with the dorm staff and see the students outside of the classroom.
* Celebrated Unity Day with Bulldogs Unite Against Bullying on October 18.
* Attended the Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind Alumni Association General Meeting on October 21 to provide an update on the 150th anniversary plans for April 7 - 8, 2024. Also extended an invitation to alumni to join us for the 2nd Annual Holiday Lighting Ceremony, which is scheduled for November 28, 2023.
* Participated in Pre-training with Regina Lewis along with a few other members of the Equity team, Blind Advisory Committee, and Deaf Advisory Committee to prepare for the all-staff training on November 3. Regina will be providing a workshop on Cultural Excellence: Ideas and Discussion which is a three-part workshop series focused on introducing and providing tools to identify unconscious bias and address the potential negative impact. The goal of the training is to enable participants to learn and understand the meaning of unconscious bias, help identify their unconscious bias, utilize the keys to courageous conversations, and how to use courageous conversations to work through unconscious bias.
* Attended the National Federation of the Blind Colorado Conference on October 26, 2023. Also in attendance were some staff members and students from the School for the Blind.
* Served on a panel for the Colorado Association of Audiology at their annual conference at Cheyenne Mountain Resort on October 27.

## REPORTS FROM SUPPORT SERVICES

### Finance

* The Office of State Planning and Budgeting analyst for the Department of Education reviewed our decision items and we are in the process of getting them ready to be sent to the Joint Budget Committee by November 1.
* A supplemental budget request is currently being put together for the following items:
* Argo Hall Steam Kettle $40,000 – The steam kettle is very old and becoming problematic to service / maintain. We keep the steam plant boilers on earlier and longer to support the steam kettle so switching to gas kettle will save utility costs.
* Utility Locator and Camera $11,000
* Powered Snow Broom $5,000
* Skid Steer $50,000 – Our current skid steer was manufactured in 1983 and is difficult to service.
* Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund II expenditure period expired on September 30. As part of the requirements for all federal funds, a formal closeout process is required. The final closeout submission deadline is November 15.
* Accounting Technician III position has been posted. Application deadline is October 31.
* Food Service Department: Application process for the two Dining Services I and Administrative Assistant positions have been closed. Interviews will be forthcoming.
* Colorado Department of Education is currently working on an amended bill for Healthy School Meals for All so that Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind can be included in the program.
* The financial reports show expenses posted through August 31 (Period 2). Period 3 (September) closes October 19.

### Human Resources

* To date, 14 positions have been filled for the 2023-2024 school year. Since July 1, 2023, there have been 18 employee separations. Currently, there are 35 total vacancies: 15 vacancies for non-Classified positions; 20 vacancies for Classified positions.
* Currently posted are TOD: ASL Teacher; American Sign Language Instructor; Multi Teared System of Supports Coordinator; Special Education Teacher / Teacher of the Deaf (K-12); Teacher of the Deaf: Elementary; Teacher of the Deaf: Literacy Specialist/Coach; Teacher of the Visually Impaired (Preschool); Accounting Technician III Substitute Teachers and Temporary Aides.
* Upcoming postings: Certified Occupational Therapist Assistant and Dining Services I
* Currently in the interview process is Custodian III
* Offer pending for Health Care Technician I (Reinstatement)
* Comparative Analysis for Dining Services I; Grounds and Nursery, and Administrative Assistant II / Food Service are being conducted.
* Classified Performance Plans for School Year 22-23 are completed and reported to the state. Making changes in PERFORM for School Year 23-24 to make the process easier for staff to navigate. The Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind Classified Performance Plan was approved by Department of Personnel Administration and posted on the State Website.

### Facilities/Information Technology

* Developing $297,000 energy project for February Board approval
* 10-Year Facilities Master Plan – complete January 2024, State-funded
* Completed Leadership Team Kick-Off September 7
* Consultant scheduling interviews and walk-throughs with key stakeholders
* Complete Facility Condition Assessments in October
* Complete Educational Adequacy Assessments in October
* Evaluate Space Utilization
* Identify space needs, relocations, efficiency opportunities.

**Project Update (** [**https://csdb.colorado.gov/facilities-construction/active/funded-projects**](https://csdb.colorado.gov/facilities-construction/active/funded-projects)**):**

* The Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind has eight projects worth $10 Million in capital funding to improve our campus.
* Industrial Roof Repair
  + Complete
* Gym Construction
  + Building construction May 30, 2023 – Mid-November
  + Developing three phases to complete by October 2024
    - **Phase 3A:** Drinking Fountains, Running Track Railing Extension, Acoustical Panels & Motorized Shades in Upper Gym (awarded)
    - **Phase 3B:** Elevator, Bleachers in Upper and Main Gym, Door Hardware Throughout
    - **Phase 3C:** Lighting Replacement Throughout, Complete Mechanical Upgrade Throughout, Exterior Doors and Windows
* Argo Roof Replacement
  + Roof replacement June 12, 2023 – August 3, 2023
  + Deferring sloped roof work until next Summer
* West Hall Design/Build Roof Replacement
  + Roof replacement July 5, 2023 – October 31, 2023
* West Hall Renovation/Addition
  + Moving forward with one $16,905,188 BEST Grant 2024
  + State 55% grant match ($20,661,900) next fiscal year or two consecutive years and BEST Grant 2025
  + Capital Development Committee visit October 25 11 am – 12 pm
* Playground
  + Issues Notice of Award to Nunn Construction; contract signed.
  + Established Design Committee; 1-hour kick-off meeting October 25
  + Construction June 14, 2024 – August 9, 2024
* Campus Security Upgrades Phase 1 of 2
  + Prequalification evaluation complete
  + Interviews/Cost Proposal October 24
  + Award contract and start design November.
  + Complete Phase 1 May 2024 (design & network/fiber improvements)
  + Phase 2 construction funding May 2024
* Stone
  + Coordinating drawings, code review for sidewalk & accessibility improvements

**Personnel Actions:**

* Hiring Custodial III position
* Hiring Grounds I position

## All Schools

**All School Programs**

* White Cane Day was celebrated at Acacia Park on October 13. An official proclamation was presented by city council woman Yolanda Avila. Both bands, the Bulldog Band and PRIDE band performed songs, students danced, and poems were read. Our guest speaker this year was Quaiyim Gray, a paraprofessional in the School for the Blind. Tactile art was displayed and described in large print and braille. Finally, our CSDB staff band made their big debut singing “Celebration” The entire student population attended, blind/vi and deaf hard of hearing students. It was truly the best White Cane Day yet!
* Fall assessments were completed campus wide.
* We had our Fall Festival Parade on 10/31
* Unity Day was October 18. Staff and students were encouraged to wear orange. Students created a chain of links with their pledge to stand united against bullying at the school.
* Picture day was October 12
* Parent conferences will be held November 2.

**School for the Deaf**

* Deaf elementary had a pumpkin unit this month. They visited the pumpkin patch October 26, learned the lifecycle of pumpkins, and had plenty of activities planned for October 31 and November 1. As part of their math and science curriculum, students learned how to apply measurements, place value skills, life cycles, using hypothesis, and much more by learning how to measure pumpkins, counting, and roasting seeds, and identifying parts of a pumpkin.
* Elementary students learned about Day of the Dead and making their own ofrenda. This is part of our social studies curriculum spotlight on cultural traditions and why we celebrate events and people. They discussed the traditions of this beautiful holiday and why it is important to the people of Mexico and the US.
* Students in elementary math class learned about addition, with and without regrouping. Students had a good grasp on adding without regrouping and working on building/strengthening their addition skills.
* Students in secondary Social Studies classes have been following the Israeli-Palestinian war. As part of this learning, students watched a documentary called "Promises". A group of both Jewish and Arab kids ages 11-13 are interviewed about their feelings about the conflict.
* Students in Social Studies classes made a poster about global climate change for an exhibit. They reviewed the information about climate change and did research to find ways people can help slow the change.
* Students in Civics class discussed how amendments to the Constitution expanded the civil rights of Americans.
* In secondary Life Skills class, students are working on understanding problem-solving models and how to identify which problems are in their circle of control and which ones are not.
* Students in PE class are currently learning about football.
* Students in English Language Arts class worked on their debate skills. They split the groups into two discussing whether or not children should have access to social media.

**School for the Blind**

* Elementary Career Exploration Class: Students are learning about Community Helpers. We had a visit from a chiropractor and are expecting a visit from a police officer and more!
* Post Secondary Preparation Class: Seniors are learning about obtaining a job. They have started volunteering in the community for organizations such as the Marian House, the Habitat for Humanity ReStore and Concrete Couch to gain hands-on experiences in the community. They have also started completing cover letters, resumes, and participated in mock interviews.
* Expanded Core Curriculum Class: Two individuals from the Colorado Springs Office of Accessibility, American Disability Act Title II spoke to class. Students learned about the importance of self-advocacy when something is not accessible in their community and the process for alerting the city to the issues.
* Music: Our bands just performed on White Cane Day and now we are prepping for our Winter Performance on December 13.
* Literacy Professional Learning Community: The School for the Blind will be hosting its first ever Spelling Bee Friday, November 10, with activities available for interested students of all ages and abilities.
* Assistive Technology: The Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind has been chosen as a testing site for the new Monarch refreshable braille display. This display is a 10-line braille display which will be capable of displaying tactile graphics. It is being produced by American Printing House for the Blind and Humanware. <https://www.aph.org/meet-monarch/.> At least seven students participate in testing this device as well as numerous staff. The testing period will take place during the next six weeks.
* Elementary Physical Education/Health: Students are presented with print, braille, and a food item, A-Z. For example, A=apple. Students are working on reading, spelling, and counting the letters in the word. They are also learning a few details specific to the food.
* Secondary Math: STAR Math data shows that ‘Estimating’ is a difficult topic for the majority of our students. Students are using their screen reading software and an online program Khan Academy to practice these types of problems.
* Secondary Art: Students are working on a Day of the Dead Ofrenda that will be displayed at the Fine Arts Center in collaboration with neighboring public schools. The community two-day event will be Wednesday, November 1 and Thursday, November 2 from 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm. It will feature live performances, hands-on artmaking, contributions to a community ofrenda, food, and viewing of the school and community ofrendas. Additional information can be found at <https://fac.coloradocollege.edu/events/dia-de-muertos-2023/>
* Science: Young scientists are conducting experiments to test their hypotheses about multiple things. One group is studying if a plant can grow by disco light, another is testing the effects of classical music on the growth of a plant. Some other students are tracking the growth of either pumpkin seeds or sunflower seeds to see germination firsthand. Finally, students are completing poems, songs, or raps about renewable resources and how humans need them for survival.

**Employability Center**

* In the Bridges to Life program, all students but one already began their paid/volunteer work experience.
* Colorado Springs Mountain Metropolitan Transit talked to our students about using the bus system here in town and showed them how to use their phones to access the bus system.
* Deaf BtL students have visited the Independence Center to learn about what options are available to them once they exit the program.
* B/VI BtL attended a job fair at the Pikes Peak Workforce Center. The students enjoyed talking to the employers and learning about different jobs in the marketplace. They each spoke to at least three employers and handed out their resumes.
* Five students rode the city bus to work; the others are transported by our transportation and BtL staff to their job sites.
* The Colorado Springs Fire Department came and talked to our students about Fire Safety.
* The Department of Vocational Rehabilitation has contacted our students to start post-secondary planning.
* BtL Students went to Southern Colorado Construction Day—what a wonderful experience for all of them.
* BtL students have gotten the Bark Market (PRIDE store) up and running; specials are Popcorn or Slurpees alternating every week.
* The Employability Center is supporting two Bridges to Life students in taking college classes at Pikes Peak State College. One student is taking an English class, and the other student is enrolled in three classes focused on English as a Second language. Both students are doing college and job responsibilities at the same time.

**Preschool programs**

* Preschool programs had the local police department visit campus. The kids got to learn about safety and explore the police vehicles.

## Student Services

* Part of the renovation and construction in the gym building included the Ot/PT motor room. The therapy room has received a much needed deep clean, better organization, new flooring, and a more updated accessible space for students. It looks amazing!
* Nurses are getting ready to administer flu shots for staff who are interested. They continue to support students with sports physicals, and medication follow-up so students can stay engaged in school and reduce absences.
* Enrollment is continuing to rise. We have had several new families enroll their students and many more are still calling to express interest or inquire about enrollment.
* Our American Sign Language interpreters had the opportunity to attend the Interpreters at Schools for the Deaf conference in Austin, Texas this month. This is the first time we have ever participated in this opportunity to network and learn more about interpreting services at other Schools for the Deaf.
* Student Services and related service providers continue to support school and dorm programs as needed.

## Student Life

**Athletics**

* Volleyball season is coming to an end. The team recently traveled to Utah, along with some other students from the School for the Deaf, to attend the tournament plus “Deaftown” See link.

<https://www.usdb.org/programs/deaf-and-hard-of-hearing/deaf-school-extra-curricular-activities/deaftown/>

* Special Olympics Bowling also hosted their regional tournament in Pueblo, Colorado Saturday October 7. Our students did a fantastic job.
* The goalball team traveled to Texas, October 19– 22, for a tournament.

**Afterschool programs**

* Flag Football
* Deaf GEBC Church. “Great Escape Bible Club”

**Dorm activities**

* Springs Trampoline
* Cooking in the dorm
* Karaoke night in BtL
* Altitude ninja
* Smores cookout.
* Biking on campus
* Biking off campus
* Yoga
* Outdoor adventure club
* Healthy eating workshops
* Halloween decorating in the dorms.
* Halloween party “Residential only”
* Staff VS. Students Volleyball October 24.
* Fall Festival at Diana's Pumpkin Patch in Canon City October 17, 2023
* Arc and Goodwill costume shopping
* Haunted House trip for our BtL Kids, went to Denver “13 Floors”

**Residential Overview**

* Student Life is growing, we have had additional students join our program. We have also hired three new staff members; one starts October 23; the others will start early November. Because the numbers of students are growing, our need for staff is increasing.
* “Sub/temp aid” outlook has improved. We have started with seven new subs. All have limited availability, but we are scheduling them as much as we can.
* We made offers for our in-house Health Care Technician 2 promotion. Congratulations Linda Espinosa and Shanna Lovato.
* Supervisor of Student Life and Principal of the School for the Deaf travelled to Gallaudet University to recruit teachers and dorm staff at the “Career Kaleidoscope A Spectrum of Opportunities Internship and Job Fair October 6.

### Colorado Instructional Materials Center

* The Metro Denver Teacher of the Visual Impaired regional meeting invited Jim Olson to present Colorado Instruction Materials Center updates to their group September 18. Jim answered questions about their services available at no cost to the districts and presented information on new instructional products available from the American Printing House for the Blind including the Music Braille Wheel (a print/braille instructional aid to identify music braille notes). This was field tested by the Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind’s Julie Harrison; Feel The Beat (a curriculum to teach Music Braille Code); Sports Courts (an instructional kit to familiarize students with tactile graphic representation of 16 different sports courts and fields); and their newest print/braille early childhood book *On the Way to Literacy: Five Little Speckled Frogs* which teaches early counting concepts.
* Jim Olson attended the 155th Annual Meeting of the American Printing House for the Blind held October 4 - 6, 2023, as the Ex Officio Trustee of the two Colorado Department of Education accounts and the Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind account. Highlights of this year’s annual meeting included (1) update on American Printing House’s new museum “The Dot Experience”, currently under construction, which aims to be the most accessible museum in the world. In addition to bringing awareness to blindness and low vision, the museum will highlight the contributions of iconic blind people like Louis Braille and Helen Keller. The museum should open in 2025; (2) updates on the new Monarch – Dynamic Tactile Device; a collaboration between APH and Humanware currently in beta testing. CSDB has been selected as one of the many field testing/training sites; and (3) “eBRF”, a new file type currently under development by experts around the world designed to support digital tactile graphics on multiline refreshable braille displays (such as the Monarch); and (4) Braille Brain, a braille training project funded by the US Department of Education, Rehabilitation Services Agency. It is intended to support braille literacy and mathematics instructions and may be used by pre-service and in-service Teachers of the Visually Impaired, paraprofessionals, parents and educational team members (<https://braillebrain.aphtech.org>).
* The monthly statewide Zoom meeting was held Friday, October 13. Attendees included early intervention providers as well as Teachers of the Visually Impaired, paraprofessionals and school district braillists from administrative units across the state who serve school-aged students. CIMC presented updates on the statewide student registration database of infants and school-aged students with blindness, including visual impairment.
* October 24 our staff will attend the second Southern Region TVI-DVR meeting of this school year, hosted by the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation staff, and facilitated by Megann Brousard (Orientation and Mobility Specialist) and Emilie Jackson (Orientation and Mobility Specialist and Vision Rehabilitation Therapist). Michelle Reed will travel down from Denver so a rehabilitation counselor for the blind will be in attendance to talk to the group of vision service providers from school districts in the Southern Colorado region (the Colorado Springs position for a rehab counselor is currently vacant). Agenda topics include an overview of DVR services; how school districts can best prepare their students before transitioning to adult services, and other agencies who can provide services to school-aged students.
* October 27 CSDB will host the Colorado Department of Education – Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind Southern Region Low Vision Evaluation Clinic in Jones Hall. The Colorado Department of Education is the primary funding source for the clinics. Dr. Kara Hanson, Associate Professor, Department of Ophthalmology, University of Colorado School of Medicine and Director of the Low Vision Rehabilitation Service at the UC Health Sue Anschutz-Rodgers Eye Center will be the low vision specialist on the clinic team along with Jim and Karin Hensel as the Certified Low Vision Therapists, and the Colorado Department of Education employee Roberta Curtis as the statewide clinic coordinator. Six students from our school, El Paso County District 12, El Paso County District 20, and El Paso County District 49 are scheduled to receive the 90-minute low vision evaluations at the one-day clinic.

### American Sign Language Team

An American Sign Language instructor position is still vacant.

### ASL Family Immersion

Will start the plan in January 2024.

### ASL Immersion for Professionals

**We scheduled an American Sign Language Immersion for Professionals event three times a year. We had Level 1 and 2 classes on October 14. All 13 participants rated Very Satisfied, the highest rate level. Since we have a variety of professionals in each class, participants commented that they want us to teach related to their occupation. We could if we had more American Sign Language Instructors. Participants commented that they want us to offer more often; Four times per year was the most suggested number of professional immersions.**

**Colorado Digital Learning Solutions - Online American Sign Language Courses for Middle and High School Students**

The collaboration between the Colorado Digital Learning Solutions and Outreach Programs continues for the 2023-2024 School Year. We have 50 students enrolled this semester, which is the maximum number of students for each semester. This class is still ongoing until December 2023.

### Community American Sign Language classes

Since we are one American Sign Language teacher short, we offer two classes each Tuesday (Beginning 1 and 2) and Thursdays (Beginning 1 and 3). Classes started September 19 and 21 and are still ongoing. The last classes will be Tuesday, November 7, and Thursday, November 30.

## Early Education Team

**Summers at the Park**

**We finished Summers at the Park at the end of September. In the Pikes Peak region, we averaged 12 families per park event with families who had children who are deaf or blind attending. Events were also held once a month in Northern Colorado and Denver areas. Each of those events had a couple of families. This is only the second year these events have expanded beyond the Pikes Peak Region.**

**CO-Hear**

**CO-Hears are actively meeting with audiologists, local early intervention programs, and other community partners to share updates, and network with partners. CO-Hears had six referrals in the month of September. The Early Education Coordinator continues to participate in meetings with state partners to clarify roles, responsibilities, and programs. The agencies include: the Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind, Colorado Department of Human Services, Colorado Department of Early Childhood, and Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. The team is hopeful that recommendations from this meeting can lead to greater understanding of programs, as well as gaps for each agency to address.**

**Early Literacy Development Initiative**

**The Early Literacy Development Initiative team has been focused on following up with attendees of the Ski Hi training. The feedback from participants was, overall, very good! Several participants have started implementing the curriculum with current families. The team will continue to focus on training that supports this work throughout the year. Additionally, online classes for parents have started this fall. The Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind partners with The Resource Exchange to provide online routines based American Sign Language to parents in the Pikes Peak region. Both level 1 classes are full this fall. CSRP also provides classes to families on the waiting list, and once they have graduated. The attendance continues to vary pending families schedule and time of the class.**

**Early Literacy Events**

**Our school held its first Community Literacy Event at Sunflower Farm in Longmont, CO. This was a private event with 45 families (188 people) in attendance. Families enjoyed the farm activities, storytelling, and connecting with other families. They were also able to purchase food or s’mores on site! Children loved meeting the school’s Bulldog, feeding animals on the farm, and story time with roleplaying afterwards!**

**Little Language Learners**

**Little Language Learners has eight families registered this year. Through the year, children will turn three and graduate out, or turn one and start attending, therefore, attendance may fluctuate. A couple of observations from class thus far: the parents are signing more and more with each other during classes, and the children are starting to understand the routine (snack time, play time, etc.). Co-teachers provided the first parent education workshop. The topic was “L1 L2” in bilingual education, and emphasized the importance of having a primary language, what bilingual-bimodal looks like, and using American Sign Language with their child. Parents were encouraged, challenged, and had greater understanding!**

**Outreach Core Vision Team**

**Our growing department saw the need last year for a team that could come together for “vision” and share ideas for departmental growth. This team has representation from each team and has met weekly since mid-August. The goal is to create a shared vision and mission for Outreach Programs, as well as share vision ideas and needs to get there. This group continues to provide insight into discussions with the interim superintendent around the needs and gaps of the department and brainstorming to fill those and better set up the department for continued growth!**

**State Collaborations**

* **Outreach has a small contract with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment to provide education, and newborn hearing screening information to midwives and homebirths, as well as follow-up on data within the Health Informatics Data System. At the end of September, our contractor presented at the Colorado Speech Language Hearing Association conference in Denver. In July and August 2023, 45 babies were referred to our contract audiologist. Of those 75% were screened with her business. All families were connected with resources for screening.**
* **Additionally, we just received confirmation that we will partner with Early Intervention Colorado via a contract for statewide screening training. As the local programs have become responsible for Part C evaluations, hearing screenings are a required part of that. This contract will send a staff member, a contractor, and EI Colorado staff to at least eight training courses across the state to focus on using equipment for hearing screening, as well as the importance of screening during evaluations! We are excited to be a statewide resource in this capacity!**

## Media:

**Events and Activities:**

* White Cane Day – October 13
* Colorado Springs Downtown Lions Club Luncheon Meeting at CSDB – October 17
* CSDB Alumni Association Chili Cook-Off – October 21

**Media**

* *24SSports –* Colorado funds free school meals for children *–* CSDB listed as a school ineligible for this program.
* *The Colorado Sun –* CO schools stock overdose reversal meds – CSDB is listed as enrolled in the CO Department of Public Health and Environment program.
* *Markey Senate.gov* – Bipartisan, Bicameral legislation calling for expanding educational opportunities for children with communications disabilities. The article mentions that CSDB endorsed this legislation named the Cogswell-Macy Act
* *ABC4 Utah -*  JA BizTown becomes DeafTown for a day – CSDB travels to Utah to participate in DeafTown

### 150th history celebration

### History video- 1884-1900

* Then and Now photos- October: Bands (Eclipse Coronet Band and Bulldog Band) and Classrooms
* Alumni Advice- October: Hiram Webb, CSDB School for the Blind Class of 1998

**Super in 60 Seconds videos – distributed on social media and via staff email**

* White Cane Day
* Colorado Springs Police Department meets our youngest students.
* Halloween Parade

**Other videos**

* Board of Trustees message: Superintendent application process and prospectus
* Innivee message introducing their staff.
* Interim Superintendent monthly video: White Cane Day, History (Paul Hubbard, Then and Now), Ask an Alum, What’s Happening
* Athletics Tour

### Social Media – *September 16-October 15, 2023*

Facebook reach 102,664 Instagram reach 378   
New fans 180 Growth 2%   
Total followers 7,602 Total followers 537

Linked Unique views 62 Twitter Impressions 2,045   
New followers 13 New followers 2   
Total followers 629 Total followers 299

YouTube 14,000 views/672.4 hours  
New subscribers 73   
Subscribers 5,504

**Website Analytics – *September 16-October 15, 2023,* monthly analytics**Pageviews/Month 20,622   
Unique Users/Month 4,013

**Upcoming Events:**

October 31 Halloween Costume Parade, 11:30-12:30

November 1 Board of Trustees meeting

November 2 Parent-Teacher Conferences

November 3-4 Middle School Basketball Tournament

November 8 Outreach: ASL Storytime & Playgroup, 10:30am, East Library/Colorado Springs

November 15 Special Board Meeting

November 17 Outreach: Baby ASL Class

November 20-24 Thanksgiving Break

November 28th Holiday Lighting