



DIRECTOR'S REPORT

July 28, 2015

ACADEMICS

**Academic and
Learning Services -
Rich Mestas**

***Update on Key Projects in the Academic and Learning
Services Division:***

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current work on the competency initiative is moving through the planning phase. The focus is to align current programs and systems to support a true competency based system. Merging of the Academics team with the Social and Emotional Support team into the LEARNOVATION TEAM will further streamline the process. The goal is to maximize the time available with students to better prepare them for the workforce. <p>Growth initiatives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAR 360 Assessment training is underway and the first Assessment window begins August 3rd. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ This data will provide baseline data on where are students are in literacy and numeracy skills. ○ This data will also be used to accurately place students into the correct prescriptive course. <p>Celebrations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summit University was a huge success. Several staff shared their enthusiasm for the use of STAR 360 to develop growth goals and supporting student success.
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<p>Core Content Areas</p>	<p>English: <u>Amanda Jacobs</u> -</p> <p><i>Total Number of Students Serviced by Team:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2309 <p><i>Average grade in all department classes:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 75% <p><i>Next 30 days:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interview and hire for Social Studies and English positions • Create W2L writing assessment <p><i>Celebrations:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <p>Math: <u>Melissa Brown</u></p> <p><i>Total Number of Students Serviced by Team:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 46 <p><i>Average grade in all department classes:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 79% <p><i>New Opportunities for students:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accelerated Math
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Next 30 days:

- Guided notes, Accelerated Math and STAR 360 integration, EL curricular design training, Summit U.

Celebrations:

- New member of the team: former Craig EZD, Annette McCurdy

Science: No report given.

Social Studies: Abigail Sebesta - No report given.

Electives: Lexi Harris-

Total Number of Students Serviced by Team:

- 2059

Average grade in all department classes:

- 80%

Next 30 days:

- Implementing the new process for Independent Electives. This will require students to work more closely with coaches and specialists to show growth on these projects.
- Will be hiring one more Competency Specialist for the Electives team.

Celebrations:

- Two new members of the electives team have begun training; Catherine Wells and Jacob Rose.

Career and Technical Education: Kristy Baumgartner

New Opportunities for students:

- Residencies, Clinicals and Microbursts have been scheduled and there seems to be excitement building.

Next 30 days:

- Will be hiring several staff members to join the CTE Team.
- Will conduct a CTE training at the Ranch on Aug. 5-7
- Continuing to add additional program approvals to what we are providing to students

Celebrations:

- Both of the school districts will be partnering with the GOAL Ranch to take courses that are going to be offered.

F.A.S.T. Program: Jamie Pollock-No report given.

Regional Directors

REGION	# Active Students	# of credits awarded last 30 days (15th through 15th)	Other important information to share. (Comments for Students, Staff, Parents) (Upcoming events) Etc.
Aryn Henneke <i>Ft. Morgan Greeley Longmont Loveland</i>	475 448 GOAL 26 RMDA 1 Over21	38	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Loveland and Sterling have already hit their enrollment stretch goals</i> • <i>Greeley has hit their enrollment target goal</i> • Ft Morgan needs 3 more students to hit the target goal • Longmont needs 30 more students to hit their target goal • Fort Morgan is settled into its new location (the workforce center that we sublet from moved - we continued our sublease at their new location) • Sterling has opened the new site, leasing from the Family Resource Center
Jeff Kwallek <i>Pueblo Pueblo West Pueblo Nature Center</i>	430	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pueblo Regency Education Zone expansion project is nearly complete. The expansion and remodel has significantly improved the site for our students and more efficient staff operations. • Development and staffing of the new Education Zone at the Pueblo Nature and Raptor Center is underway. • Searching for one additional vehicle for the Pueblo Region.
Nathan Byford <i>Denver Aurora Lakewood Westminster Commerce City/Brighton</i>	413	NA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Close to signing new lease for the "North Metro" Zone which was formerly "Westminster." Expected move-in for August 15th. • Searching for 2x regional vehicles • Possible medical grant for at-risk youth in Denver Metro area from N.Byford personal friend. Byford working with Carolyn and Cheryl on this grant. • Expanding the "Ethics" course to include Front Range Virtual and Lakewood Zones. • Expanding relationship with Denver Health and Denver County Juvenile court system to ensure collaborating on success of students in judicial system.

Ramon Arriaga <i>Colorado Springs Fountain</i>	364	N/A	<p>Close to signing a lease to the new westside zone. Citadel new zone is promising, searching within and outside of the mall. Search is on for a new EZD for Citadel Still looking for 3 vehicles in the Region</p>
Steve Alvarado <i>Canon City Pagosa Cortez Alamosa La Junta Trinidad Lamar</i>	391	N/A	<p>The Lamar zone will be moved to another location due to a leaky roof at their present location. A location has been located for the new Durango zone.</p>
Kevin MacVittie <i>Craig Grand Junction</i>	184	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nick Coccozella has accepted the EZD spot in Craig. Interviewing for the Site Coordinator position on 7/23. Decision will be made by 7/24. Shiloh McCollum will be ESS Case Manager for Craig, Recommendation made 2 weeks ago to hire ESS Case Manager for Grand Junction. • May need to search for additional vehicle for Grand Junction - dependant on enrollment #'s. • New GJ site on Main St. is operational. Still waiting on signage. Install set for next 2 weeks. • Grand Junction and Gunnison are on target for enrollment goals. Craig is a behind but is gaining ground due to plans set in place the week of July 20. • Regional focus among the EZDs and sites is proving initially successful and providing a higher degree of collaboration and customer service. Work in progress but initial results are showing increased staff engagement and involvement in day to day operations - planning, marketing, enrollment, etc

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Title 1 & Wraparound Services- Carolyn Gery	<i>Update on Key Projects in the Support Services Division:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Student Support Services is inclusive of the departments serving the social / emotional needs of our students and also departments serving the academic support needs. Support Services and Academics is now combining forces to create a cohesive model where actions are informed by multiple domains of expertise. • Program leads are excited to work together on collaborative projects and share expertise as well as energy on new initiatives. These initial projects are: developing an innovative competency based model designed to serve the
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	<p>individual student, whole-student assessment systems, refinement of the capstone model, and development of digital student portfolios demonstrating social / emotional benchmarks in partnership with academic progress..</p> <p>Growth initiatives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PAIRIN, a social / emotional metric is to be launched this fall. An introduction to the academic tool was presented during Summit U with an overview of STAR 360. PAIRIN was presented as a complement to this tool and will provide valuable lens to the types of social / emotional supports which have the highest impact on progressing and supporting student learning. <p>Celebrations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A team attended the National Council of La Raza national conference where GOAL was awarded the Far West Affiliate of the Year designation. • A Zone Leader was selected to lead the Education Zone at the Nature and Raptor Center. Jason Hochevar is excited to step into this role and work is underway to launch the site.
<p>Experiential and Service Learning - Jay Zarr</p>	<p>Key department work projects and estimated completion dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Several trainings were held at Summit U designed to introduce all sites to the learning opportunities offered through the experiential learning program. Also, regional trainings are also occurring to provide insight into connecting experiential learning to the local areas of individual sites. • The trip to Cuba is around the corner and participants will leave next week Monday. • Did a regional team building training for the Springs Region which held at the Rock Ledge Park. • Still deeply involved with creating the NRCP/Goal agreement program. The Pueblo paper is coming on site to interview the EDZ and NRCP staff about the new program on the 8th of August. • First staff Goal Ventures program set for September 8-10, to be held at Estes Park.
<p>ELL/Migrant- Brandon Darrow</p>	<p>Key department work projects and estimated completion dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Starting EL Enrollment momentarily. All EL classes should be done by August 1. <p>Key department issues and what the department is doing to improve / correct the issue:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ImportRange showing error on EL Workflow. Creating apps script to solve problem.
<p>SPED- Archie Neil</p>	<p>Key department work projects and estimated completion dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are working with D49 and CDE to look at options for using the state IEP system. The ECEA and IDEA budgets are approved <p>Key department issues and what the department is doing to improve / correct the issue:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New staff are needed to provide services to ESS students/ we are working with HR to hire. 3 vehicles are needed for regions/ working with Admin and Summit to purchase vehicles.
<p>Academic Advising- Anna Nava</p>	<p>Key department work projects and estimated completion dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RS3s are beginning their regional training; Completion date for regional and site training is August 15th. • RS3s priorities are transcript and schedules builds and audits. Completion date is Sept 28th.
<p>Over 21/Adult Services-</p>	<p>Key department work projects and estimated completion dates:</p>

Joe DeVita	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Working on new applications - accepting new students, this continues all year.
Innovation- Dan Colussi	<p>Key department work projects and estimated completion dates: No report given.</p> <p>Key department issues and what the department is doing to improve / correct the issue: None at this time.</p>

Compliance - Karla Ash	Preparing to implement the new Star 360 assessment, which will provide entry grade level and allow us to track growth. No word from CDE on the AEC status at this time.
Intervention & Assessment - Melissa Brown	Renaissance Learning assessment training, integration with Accelerated Math & Reading platforms, recommendations for scheduling students in remedial courses.
Quality Improvement Jeff Kwallek	The GOAL Quality Assurance, Innovations and Improvement Team (QAII) will meet July 28th to plan and map the way ahead for the 2015-16 school year.

SUMMIT EDUCATION GROUP

Finance -	<p>Key department work projects and estimated completion dates:</p> <p>Work continues on reconciling cash and balance sheet accounts for the year ending June 30, 2015 and preparation for the year-end audit. Finance now needs to change the GL accounts in SAGE to match the revised Chart of Account. Once this is complete the new GL accounts can be downloaded to Backpack Budget and UMB P-Cards.</p> <p>Key department issues and what the department is doing to improve / correct the issue: None at this time.</p>
Growth & Expansion -	<p>Key department work projects and estimated completion dates:</p> <p>Texas charter is less of a priority - timeline won't allow a quality application for this year. A contact in HI is very interested in an Arts Immersion charter. Had initial conference call 7/6. Next call is 7/27. Researching charter and online laws. Pursuing non-charter opportunity in KY, which recently raised compulsory ed age from 16 to 18. State is struggling with how to serve those 17-18 year old dropouts.</p> <p>Key department issues and what the department is doing to improve / correct the issue: None at this time.</p>

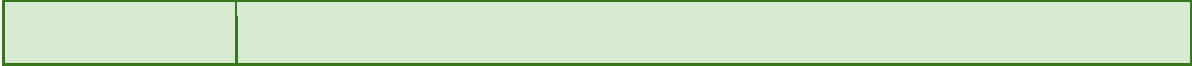
<p>Professional Development -</p>	<p>Key department work projects and estimated completion dates: GOAL PD Plans (regional, site & individual) Draft delivered: 7/21/2015</p> <p>Small Vehicle Training Phase 1 - Written test compiled, training under development for delivery via PSW.</p> <p>Onboarding Curriculum - Used during Summit U with class of 11. Still refining for future new hires.</p> <p>Flippen Leadership Re-engagement: Roadmap attached to 2015/2016 PD Plan Draft for GOAL</p> <p>Key department issues and what the department is doing to improve / correct the issue: None at this time.</p>
<p>Grants & Community Partnerships -</p>	<p>Key department work projects and estimated completion dates:</p> <p>GOAL Academy's project form was accepted and the school was granted permission to submit a full AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC) Sponsor application. Due date is 9.6.15.</p> <p>Key department issues and what the department is doing to improve / correct the issue: None at this time.</p>
<p>Human Resources -</p>	<p>Key department work projects and estimated completion dates:</p> <p>Payroll conversion to Paychex is happening the month of July effective August 31, 2015. This is resulting in a streamlined process with HR and Payroll to ensure one time entry and an effective system.</p> <p>Hiring continues for GOAL Academy as student enrollment increases throughout the state.</p> <p>Key department issues and what the department is doing to improve / correct the issue: None at this time.</p>
<p>Project Management</p>	<p>Key department work projects and estimated completion dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Physical inventory of Chromebooks is 72% complete. Next, IT technicians will visit each EZ which has completed their inventory to swap out the SIM cards of student Chromebooks ● Drafting and delegating the creation of SOPs for IT. Four completed and one in progress. ● Finding/Creating resources and adding links to SEG - Policy/Process Inventory ● Tracking task list for Summit University and addressing issues of schedule duplication ● Created a visual workflow diagram illustrating <u>Summit's purchase procedures</u> ● Assisting with office move out of the Citadel <p>Key department issues and what the department is doing to improve / correct the issue: None at this time.</p>
<p>GED</p>	<p>Key department work projects and estimated completion dates: No report given.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 91 Graduates Statewide - GED/HISET Testing Site Completions - Workforce Partnership Statewide <p>Key department issues and what the department is doing to improve / correct the issue: None at this time.</p>

<p>IT-</p>	<p>Key department work projects and estimated completion dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Physical inventory of Chromebooks is 72% complete. Next, IT technicians will visit each EZ which has completed their inventory to swap out the SIM cards of student Chromebooks - Researching Sites for IT staff that will allow the development of the Service Center - Pursuing direct vendor contracts to provide discounted services to GOAL and it's sister school RMDA - Working to establish a certified IT repair shop to serve GOAL's laptop repair needs. - IT Special Assignment: To develop policies and procedures that are supported by the systems that GOAL uses to handle it IT needs. Focus areas are <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Inventory Management - IT infrastructure, backbone - Data management - Technology purchasing - Help Desk expansion <p>Key department issues and what the department is doing to improve / correct the issue: None at this time.</p>
<p>Admissions & Records</p>	<p>Key department work projects and estimated completion dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working on supporting education zones statewide in order to meet target enrollment goals • Currently have approximately 2,125 Active 2015/2016 students with approximately 600 students on waitlist and 100 students in Special Review <p>Key department issues and what the department is doing to improve / correct the issue:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continuing to daily monitor student paperwork and numbers to ensure proper enrollment processes are followed
<p>Marketing</p>	<p>Key department work projects and estimated completion dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Actively working on a Statewide Ad Taxi Ad Campaign with the Regional Directors. This will place ads on digital formats such as Pandora, Facebook, YouTube and search engines. • Hosted the Summit University Hospitality Suite, providing support to have staff identification badges created, handed out SEG shirts and facilitated the Summit U Scavenger Hunt, which was used to drive traffic to key areas of the three day event. • Continuous support to Education Zone Directors to order marketing materials, signage, and supporting recruitment efforts • Maintaining Social Media <p>Key department issues and what the department is doing to improve / correct the issue:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A
<p>Fleet</p>	<p>Key department work projects and estimated completion dates:</p> <p>Received Estimate from Sears for repair of \$1247.00 and one from Classic Auto for \$850.00 for Citadel Vehicle G50. GOAL COO will be making a decision on where to get it fixed.</p> <p>Key department issues and what the department is doing to improve / correct the issue: None at this time.</p>
<p>Facilities</p>	<p>Key department work projects and estimated completion dates: Facilities is dealing with multiple site moves. Just completed moves in Sterling and Fort Morgan. Upcoming moves consist of South Academy, RMDAs move out of the Citadel Mall, some minor</p>

	<p>moving in Regency square in Pueblo. Preparing for Westminster and Citadel moves in the upcoming future. Facilities helped with Summit U while still handling day to day operations within the entire state.</p> <p>Key department issues and what the department is doing to improve / correct the issue: We are continuing to strive to become more cost efficient while maintaining the highest customer satisfaction possible.</p>
<p>Leases -</p>	<p>Key department work projects and estimated completion dates:</p> <p>Lease renewal for Fountain is waiting on signatures</p> <p>Durango lease is waiting on signatures</p> <p>South Academy lease is waiting on signatures</p> <p>GOAL Fleet has been moved over to a composite rating system for all GOAL Vehicles through Hanover Insurance with a increase for 2015-2016 due to the increase in vehicles.</p> <p>Key department issues and what the department is doing to improve / correct the issue: None at this time.</p>

La Junta Campus

<p>Campus Management</p>	<p>Key department work projects and estimated completion dates:</p> <p>>Hosted 2015 Summit U. Successful Clean up of campus and inventory and storage of numerous items throughout campus after Summit U Event is occurring this week.</p> <p>>Continue with building and campus upgrades, sprinkler systems, landscaping and painting</p> <p>>Hosting three events this week. Care Connect is renting Cave Dorm for the week for training and Prison ministry will be renting 1 night for 6 people. These are outside companies which are generating income for Summit Education. Also hosting Summer Work Retreat for Summit Directors on 23rd and 24th.</p> <p>>Working with Kristy and the GOAL calendar to blend and share space on campus for opportunities to generate revenue for Summit Education group. Flexibility with schedules and shifting groups when possible will help facilitate having two events simultaneously on campus. We currently have two outside, revenue generating groups scheduled for September (CSU and The Kairos Group) and are working on ideas for additional revenue generating opportunities for the upcoming year. CSU would like to explore collaboration with CTE and the ranch in several areas. Goal Ranch is boarding outside horses which will generate \$550.00 per month to help offset cost of feed, shoeing and vet bills.</p> <p>Key department issues and what the department is doing to improve / correct the issue: Continuation of training and knowledge of chromebook and general computer usage to facilitate increased communication across all areas of program. Will follow up with IT for setting up several training dates for ranch staff</p>
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D49 & CDE UPDATES

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