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Things have changed and GOAL High School has been well positioned to meet the change. While the world is learning to work productively remotely, GOAL has been doing this since our inception. GOAL has 5,305 funded students and 76 in our “over 21” diploma program – all engaged through our online systems across the state of Colorado. We operate 36 student drop-in centers around the state. These drop-in centers not only serve to assist students academically, but also to address social and emotional challenges and support students with basic needs.

Ultimately, the one thing that has not changed is that the future will always rest with every young person. We believe that GOAL is a special place and a notable example of our diverse state. Excellent public education is essential to our community, our state, our country, and the world. Every young person deserves a chance to achieve their full potential. Alongside the love of family, a good education is the foundation to a secure and fulfilling life.

Recall for a moment your high school years: how much you felt; how much you learned about life and the world; how confused you were sometimes; and how a friend or a teacher encouraged and inspired you. Our high school years are those in which we start to understand ourselves, to relate

to others, to struggle with grown-up problems, to make choices, and to learn to work for our dreams and our loved ones. These formative years are currently being complicated with the challenges of a pandemic. These are uncharted waters for everyone with no road map. Just imagine a young person with several risk factors trying to find their path to a successful life.

This special place we call GOAL is changing lives. The high school dropout rate in Colorado is frankly disturbing. We offer a real chance at a solid secondary education and beyond to students. Those students, for a variety of reasons, could not fit in or could not be served by a conventional education system. The State of Colorado needs a highly productive next generation of workers, professionals, and civic leaders to advance our state socially, economically, and environmentally in the future. GOAL plays a pivotal role in getting these young Coloradans back on track to be productive. These GOAL students will become a net positive producer of resources and not a burden on society.

GOAL has excellent academic coach and teacher to student ratios. We have over 300 staff professionals that are certified and highly qualified. Our Concurrent Enrollment option allows GOAL students to get free college credit as they go through high school.

The GOAL Ventures programs offers stimulating and educational field trips, and the students receive credits for those trips. Students can engage in student council, prom, and sports activities at our local schools. We recently added a gaming team to GOAL and at the end of our first season we were State Champions!

GOAL's executive team led by Dr. Constance Jones, our Chief Executive Officer, continues to focus on GOAL's Mission and Vision through robust training and readiness. The organization remains financially solid despite this world-changing pandemic. The academic team seeks innovative ways to challenge, inform, and support the GOAL student. Resources can be directed to any area that needs support on short notice. GOAL operates from a living strategic plan that helps steer the organization.

We take pride in having turned these youths' lives around. This not only benefits them but society as well. The report that follows lays out the details of our school's and students' remarkable accomplishments, underscoring the significance of our commitment to our mission and vision.

