



The Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind is the center of excellence for specialized, statewide, high-quality, educational services supporting data-driven decisions that are best for each individual.

OUR STUDENT BODY



Total Enrollment (0-21)

- Infant/Toddler Program (0-3) ⇒ 264
- Residential (3-21) ⇒ 118
- Day (3-21) ⇒ 106
- Direct Outreach ⇒ 27
- Average Daily Attendance ⇒ 187
- Attendance Rate ⇒ 95%
- Served directly in LEA (0-21) ⇒ 45%
- From non-metropolitan areas ⇒ 26%
- Students enrolled at request of parent ⇒ 11%
- Students enrolled at request of district ⇒ 89%
- Enrollment stability ⇒ 98%
- Average length of stay ⇒ 4.08 yrs
- Graduation Rate ⇒ 100%
- Dropout Rate ⇒ 0%
- Student Contact Days ⇒ 172
- Students eligible for free / reduced lunch (3-21) ⇒ 151

- Students in the School for the Blind utilizing Braille as primary literacy mode ⇒ 38%
- Students' primary communication mode in the School for the Deaf
 - 2% ⇒ Aural, Oral, Speech
 - 29% ⇒ English-based manual or sign system only
 - 55% ⇒ American Sign Language only
 - 14% ⇒ Combination of speech/sign systems
- Students at CSDB who come from a home where a primary language other than English is used ⇒ 8%



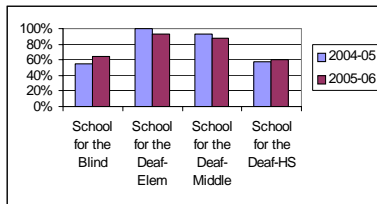
- One student completed an advanced course in Calculus.
- Of our 31 high school graduates, 24 planned to enroll in the Transition Program for the 2006-2007 school year and six planned to attend college.
- Of the 11 students who exited the Transition Program for the Deaf, five planned to continue their post-secondary education and six planned to enter the work force.
- Of the eight students who exited the Transition Program for the Blind, two planned to continue their post-secondary education and six planned to enter the workforce.

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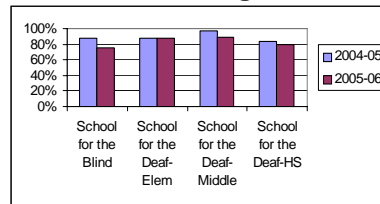
OUR STUDENTS' ACHIEVEMENTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

IEP Goals Met

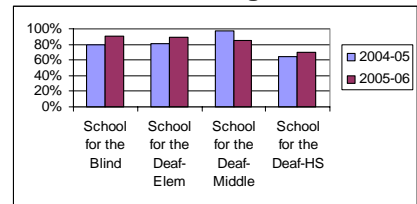
Mathematics



Reading



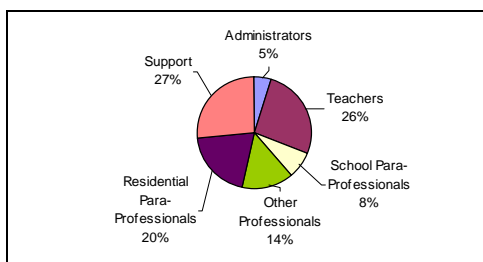
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- The Academic Bowl Team remained undefeated in regional competition for the fourth straight year and placed ninth in the national competition at Gallaudet University.
- One student received the President's Award for Academic Achievement.
- Eight students participated in the El Pomar Youth in Community Service program.
- One student was selected for the Mayor's 100 Teens, a public forum that recognizes teens for their contribution to the community.
- Two students participated in the annual Close-Up Conference in Washington, D.C.
- Of the 10 School for the Deaf speech contest winners who competed in the Colorado/Wyoming Optimist Club Regional Competition, three advanced to the state competition.
- One student attended Space Camp in Huntsville, Alabama.
- Four transition students attended Pikes Peak Community College full time and two transition students participated in the Area Vocational Program at Pikes Peak Community College.
- Two students were accepted into the Youth Leadership Camp sponsored by the National Association of the Deaf.

OUR STAFF

- As a 24-hour facility, CSDB employs a wide array of support personnel in addition to educational professionals.
- Educational Media/Library Specialists: 2
- Professional Development Days: 10



- Lou Tutt, Principal, received the "Distinguished Service Award" from the Council for Exceptional Children/Division on Visual Impairments.
- Lori Hall, Health Care Technician, received the POSB (Principals of Schools for the Blind) Outstanding Residential Life Staff Member Award.
- Rae Cunningham, Program Assistant I, and James Bristol, Paraeducator, were finalists in the Governor's STAR Awards Program.
- Ella Walker, Food Services Supervisor, received a commendation from the Colorado Department of Human Services in recognition of her 17 years of dedicated service and support to children and food service management.
- Diane Beard and Susie O'Hara, teachers, served as mentor teachers for Integrated Thematic Instruction, a school reform model.

OUR SAFE SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT

To enhance the positive learning and living environment CSDB offers students and their families...

- ✓ Counseling programs
- ✓ Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE)
- ✓ Student Work Program
- ✓ Reading and tutoring programs
- ✓ Enrichment programs
- ✓ Opportunities for leadership
- ✓ Opportunities to participate in athletics
- ✓ Lower teacher/student ratios
- ✓ Individualized programming
- ✓ Full-time School Resource Officer
- ✓ Role models who are Blind or Deaf
- ✓ Safe, homelike environment in residential areas
- ✓ Positive Education and Attitude through Knowledge (PEAK) Program

- ✓ Parent involvement opportunities
- ✓ Bullyproofing education
- ✓ Parent conferences
- ✓ Home visits
- ✓ Sign language classes
- ✓ Parent Compacts
- ✓ Family literacy activities
- ✓ Parent Consultants
- ✓ Monthly school newsletters
- ✓ Accountability committee
- ✓ Student Crime Stoppers
- ✓ Red Ribbon Week
- ✓ Alive to Strive program
- ✓ Student advocates

| Student Suspensions/Expulsions | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | 2004-2005 | 2005-2006 |
| Suspensions | 10 | 38 |
| Expulsions | 1 | 0 |

| Student Discipline Reports | | |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-------|
| | Minor | Major |
| School for the Blind | 9 | 2 |
| School for the Deaf (PreK-8) | 7 | 12 |
| School for the Deaf (HS) | 9 | 18 |

OUR TECHNOLOGY

- CSDB continued to use an internet content filter system to comply with state/federal requirements.
- State budget limits continued to prevent replacement of obsolete computers and we accepted donations to replace our oldest computers.
- CSDB successfully collaborated with a rural school district to provide a student who is deaf with direct instruction and social contact with peers via videoconferencing.
- Two teachers became master teachers for Intel Teach to the Future and will train staff to increase the technology skills of students.
- The team of five teachers for the HP Technology for Teaching Grant completed their year-long project of mentored staff development.

OUR CONSTRUCTION

- Twenty VP100 videophones were installed on campus.
- The banner communication system was expanded into the Gym and the Stone Building.
- An area in the School for the Deaf was remodeled in order to establish the Literacy Lab.
- Direct Digital Control for energy management was expanded to the swimming pool and the Lions Conference Center.
- The Early Education Center was remodeled to accommodate preschool classrooms for children who are deaf/hard of hearing and blind/visually impaired.

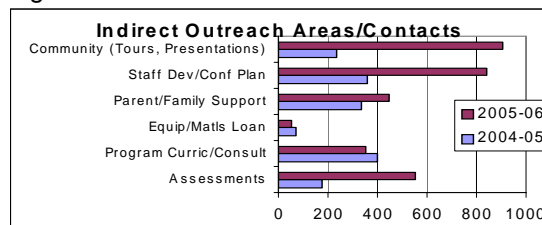
| OUR REVENUE | | | OUR EXPENSES | | |
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| Government Grants | \$1,875,372 | 15% | Administration | \$ 857,886 | 7% |
| Per Pupil Operating | \$1,174,880 | 9% | Support | \$3,017,410 | 24% |
| General Fund Appropriation | \$9,236,284 | 72% | Programs | \$7,168,737 | 57% |
| Donations/Other Income | \$ 456,157 | 4% | Residential | \$1,547,902 | 12% |

OUR ROLE IN COLORADO

The Board of Trustees approved the CSDB Strategic Plan in June 2006. The Strategic Plan identifies a goal, target areas, strategies, tasks, resources, measurable outcomes, and timelines for each of the six areas of focus: Statewide & Regional Resource Network, Academic Core, Secondary Job Skills, Transition, Multiple Disabilities, and Early Childhood.

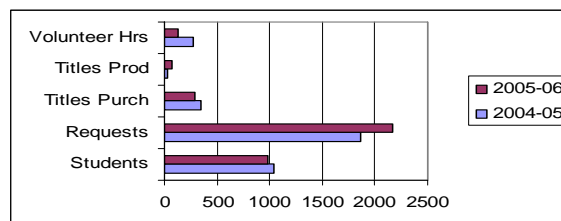
During SY 2005-2006, CSDB provided:

- Short-term placements for ten public school students in adaptive technology, living skills, career awareness, and athletics.
- Summer Enrichment services for 60 students to address the disability-related needs of public school students who are blind/low vision.
- Blind/Deaf Adult Role Model teams who worked with families, students, and teachers in Colorado.
- Summer Enrichment opportunities to students statewide who are deaf/hard of hearing in Zoo Adventure, Extreme Home Maintenance (with Habitat for Humanity), Driver's Education, Outdoor Adventure, and Cochlear Implants.
- Direct instructional services to 16 students in rural areas.
- The Early Years Program serving families with children, birth – 5, who are deaf/hard of hearing.
- Support to children who are deaf/hard of hearing and/or blind/low vision, their families, and service providers through the Family Learning Retreat and the Symposium on Deafness, Language, and Learning.
- Family Literacy Packs, containing books, activities that support literacy, and a DVD illustrating a story in ASL, for loan to families and programs throughout Colorado.
- Classes in American Sign Language to parents and family members of students who are deaf/hard of hearing.



Colorado Instructional Materials Center for the Visually Handicapped

The CIMC supplied braille and large print books, tests, and other adaptive materials to students who are blind/visually impaired in public schools throughout Colorado. The CIMC purchased books and also produced books to meet the needs of the students it serves.



Early Education Programs

- CHIP provided services to an average of 195 children and their families per month.
- For children, birth-25 months of age, expressive language quotients were comparable to their hearing peers.
- The percentage of parents who have been signing six to 23 months exceeded the pre-established Parent Sign checklist schoolwide plan goals.
- The Shared Reading Program (SRP) and the Integrated Reading Program (IRP) received a decision item and joined together to become the Early Literacy Development Initiative (ELDI).
- CHIP continued its partnership with The Listen Foundation to fund an Oral Communication Consultant who provided technical assistance to CHIP facilitators and preschool teachers statewide.