Great Schools Colorado



Welcome to the September Great Schools Colorado Newsletter

Ten Subgrantees Begin Serving Students Under Great Schools



This fall, 10 subgrantees will enter Implementation year 1 through the Great Schools Colorado project, bringing a diverse range of educational models and approaches to communities across the state. From classical education to Montessori models, these schools reflect the variety of choices available within Colorado's charter school community.

Together, these schools will expand opportunities for families in their communities by providing students with learning environments designed around their individual needs, interests, and aspirations.

Subgranteees in the News

U.S. Secretary of Education Linda McMahon Visits Colorado on Returning Education to the States Tour

U.S. Department of Education | August 27

Yesterday, U.S. Secretary of Education Linda McMahon visited Colorado on her Returning Education to the States Tour.

Fort Collins charter school expands junior high facility as Poudre School District sees enrollment drop

Denver7 | August 21



As Poudre School District grapples with declining enrollment, one Fort Collins charter school is expanding its campus and creating room for more students.

A look inside AXIS International Academy's new school in Fort Collins

Coloradoan | August 18

AXIS International Academy's new school is ready in time to welcome students for the start of the 2026-27 school year.

St. Vrain Community Montessori will serve students in new Longmont building



Longmont Times-Call | August 15

Students enrolled at St. Vrain Community Montessori School in Longmont can look forward to starting the academic year in a building made just for them.

Colorado Springs to see new charter schools open this fall

The Denver Gazette | July 27

Colorado Springs will see three new charter schools open this fall. Two will welcome their first-ever students, while one will begin its first year as a charter rather than a contract school.

Staff Shoutout: Bright Homawoo



In his new role as Great Schools Colorado's Director of Grants Fiscal, Bright Homawoo plays a key role in ensuring the successful financial administration of the CSP grant. Serving as the grant's fiscal subject-matter expert, Bright oversees critical areas, including budget development, financial monitoring, reimbursements, and compliance with federal grant requirements.

We're grateful for the time, care, and commitment Bright brings to this important work and for everything he does to support our schools and their success. Learn

more about the Great Schools Colorado staff.

Work on Cycle 3 Begins



Work is well underway with our Cycle 2 subgrantees as schools move forward with their Great Schools Colorado projects and prepare to begin serving students. At the same time, the League is already looking ahead, with early planning and preparation for Cycle 3 beginning behind the scenes to launch in January.

While there is still plenty of work ahead, we're excited to see the continued momentum of Great Schools Colorado as we work to increase the number of high-quality charter schools while strengthening the quality and impact of the charter school sector. Be sure to check back for additional updates and the release of the full Cycle 3 schedule.

— The Great Schools Colorado Team

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