

News Release



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CDE Honors 15 BVSD Schools

BOULDER – Boulder Valley School District (BVSD) Superintendent Bruce Messinger today congratulated each of 15 BVSD schools for achieving statewide honors in 2011 as announced today (12/12) by the Colorado Department of Education (CDE). This morning, CDE announced that each of these 15 BVSD schools will receive a 2011 John Irwin and/or 2011 Governor’s Distinguished Improvement award. Dr. Messinger was notified Friday (12/9) by CDE and let the principals of each school know on Sunday afternoon (12/11). According to Colorado Commissioner of Education Robert Hammond, in the coming month the appropriate certificates will be sent by CDE to the BVSD superintendent’s office and will be distributed to each school. _

The 2011 Governor’s Distinguished Improvement awards are awarded to schools that “exceed” expectations on the 3-year school performance framework’s indicator related to academic growth and “meet or exceed” expectations on the indicator related to academic growth gaps. These schools demonstrate the highest levels of growth for not just some students but all student groups.

I. The one BVSD school receiving a 2011 Governor’s Distinguished Improvement award is:

Eisenhower Elementary School, 1220 Eisenhower Dr., Boulder

The 2011 John Irwin awards are awarded to schools that “exceed” expectations on the 3-year school performance framework’s indicator related to academic achievement and that “meet or exceed” expectations on the indicator related to academic growth gaps. These schools demonstrate the highest levels of achievement not just for some students but also adequate performance across all student groups. For high schools, the schools also “meet or exceed”

graduation expectations.

II. The seven BVSD schools receiving the 2011 John Irwin awards are:

**Eldorado K-8 School (Grades K-5), 3351 Indiana St., Superior
Foothill Elementary School, 1001 Hawthorne Ave., Boulder
Heatherwood Elementary School, 7750 Concord Dr., Boulder
Jamestown Elementary School, 111 Mesa St., Jamestown
Nevin Platt Middle School, 6096 Baseline Rd., Boulder
Southern Hills Middle School, 1500 Knox Dr., Boulder
Summit Middle Charter School, 4655 Hanover Ave., Boulder**

III. The seven BVSD schools receiving both the 2011 Governor's Distinguished Improvement and 2011 John Irwin awards are:

**Bear Creek Elementary School, 2500 Table Mesa Dr., Boulder
Boulder Community School of Integrated Studies (BCSIS), 3995 E. Aurora Ave., Boulder
Douglass Elementary School, 840 75th St., Boulder
High Peaks Elementary School, 3995 E. Aurora Ave., Boulder
Horizons K-8 School, 4545 Sioux Dr., Boulder
Monarch K-8 School (Grades K-5), 263 Campus Dr., Louisville
Superior Elementary School, 1800 S. Indiana St., Superior**

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