



Board of Education Office

Educational Support Center

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TO: Board Members and Superintendent

FROM: Frances Mullins

RE: Recognition of Schools receiving the Colorado John Irwin Schools of Excellence Award and Colorado Governor's Distinguished Improvement Award

Colorado John Irwin Schools of Excellence Awards

The John Irwin awards, named after former Colorado State Representative, John J. Irwin, are given to schools that demonstrate excellent academic achievement. On the three-year school performance framework that is used by the state to evaluate schools, these schools "exceed" expectations on the academic achievement indicator.

- Coyote Ridge Elementary School
- Hulstrom Options K-8 School
- Meridian Elementary School
- Stargate Charter School
- STEM Lab

Colorado Governor's Distinguished Improvement Awards

The Governor's Distinguished Improvement Awards are given to schools that demonstrate exceptional student growth. On the school performance framework that is used by the state to evaluate schools, these schools "exceed" expectations on the indicator related to longitudinal academic growth and "meet or exceed" expectations on the indicator related to academic growth gaps.

- Arapahoe Ridge Elementary School
- Meridian Elementary School
- Silver Creek Elementary School