

32,000+

COVID Tests
Performed

\$6.2M

CARES Funding
to Students

10k+

Helpdesk Support
Issues Addressed

64,000

On-Campus
Meals Served

SUMMER UPDATES TO THE CSU SYSTEM

CSU Pueblo

July 30, 2021

COVID-19 UPDATES

Effective May 26, CSU Pueblo returned to [full-in-person operations](#), retaining some hybrid services as needed. Campus is currently operating at full capacity, including in the Recreation Center, across athletics, and for all external events: camps, clinics, auxiliary services, and summer academic programming.

As of July 30, CSU Pueblo remains in active “outbreak” status, with our last, reported, positive case on July 23. As of this date, we have had 12 “breakthrough” cases among vaccinated individuals, though none has been hospitalized. Point-of-care testing continues at the Wolfpack Wellness Center. As of July 30, we have received over 823 https://www.csupueblo.edu/coronavirus/_doc/07-26-2021-students.pdf [voluntary vaccination records](#) from employees and students.

On July 26, a [joint communication](#) was sent to all CSU Pueblo students from the Executive VP for Academic Affairs and Provost, Dr. Mohamed Abdelrahman, and Dr. Chrissy Holliday, the VP for Enrollment Management, Communication, and Student Affairs, which detailed fall plans based on information available to leadership as of the date of the message.

DEVELOPING PEOPLE

Previously, when employees needed mediation services, CSU Pueblo would utilize The Colorado State Employee Assistance Program (CSEAP) resources. We heard from our employees that this organization was not meeting their needs, because the mediators sent to campus were not familiar with higher education at all. Our faculty and staff wanted access to experts who were familiar with higher education and, specifically, CSU Pueblo.

As the Employee Relations Specialist in Human Resources and Institutional Equity (HRIE), funded through VISION 2028, Jennifer Martin White wanted to fill this need for campus. Over the past four months, despite the challenges of COVID, Jennifer worked with legal counsel and our Title IX specialist to ensure the mediation program and training available met industry standards. HRIE paid for Jennifer to complete the [Phoenix Strategies, Inc. certification program](#).

From their website, “Since 1997, Phoenix Strategies has been a leader in alternative dispute resolution (ADR) services and training in Colorado Springs & Denver. Relationships are the heart of PSI’s conflict management services and training.” I learned the facilitative style of mediation which helps parties build relationships and come up with their own resolutions.

In July 2021, Jennifer Martin White completed the coursework and became a certified mediator for CSU Pueblo.

CREATING COMMUNITY

Colorado State University Pueblo will [host performances of the Fantasticks](#) Saturday July 31 and Sunday August 1 at 7 p.m. These performances will be held in Hoag Hall, beginning at 8 p.m. with dinner at 7 p.m.

This performance of the Fantasticks will feature CSU Pueblo students and community members. Professor of Music David Volk served as the Music Director for the production. Colorado Springs theatrical director, Robin Coryell, leads the production.

CSU PUEBLO'S BLUE AND RED GALA, 2021

[The CSU Pueblo President's Blue and Red Gala](#) will take place on Saturday, August 14 in the Occhiato Student Center Ballroom on the CSU Pueblo campus. Proceeds from the Gala directly benefit future generations of CSU Pueblo students through scholarships and programs.

The late Dr. Art Gonzales and Lorraine Gonzales, Parkview Health System, Robert H. Rawlings Foundation, Colorado State University System and Board of Pueblo County Commissioners, will be honored at the Gala.

The 2021 President's Blue and Red Gala will begin at 6 p.m. with cocktails in the Occhiato Student Center Ballroom Foyer. Tickets for the 2021 President's Blue and Red Gala are \$125 per person or \$1,500 for a corporate table of eight. Information on tickets, sponsorships and corporate tables is available through the [CSU Pueblo Foundation website](#) or 719-549-2307.

THE INSTITUTE OF CANNABIS RESEARCH

The Institute of Cannabis Research (ICR) located at Colorado State University Pueblo has partnered with Oregon State University Global Hemp Innovation Center to host the [2021 Virtual Cannabis Research Conference](#). The conference takes place August 3 through 5 which engages with global cannabis innovators exploring new cannabis research frontiers.

The ICR and Oregon State University Global Hemp Innovation Center partnered in the last two years for the Cannabis Research Conference, with plans to co-host the event and trade-off locations each year. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020, the conference was moved virtually although it was originally planned to take place on the campus of CSU Pueblo.