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D60 celebrates its school leaders

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With Pueblo City Schools (D60) now off the state's accountability clock after seeing its accreditation rating move from priority improvement to improvement, the board took time during Tuesday's regular meeting to recognize individual school leaders instrumental in this progression.

"But we're not done yet. We still have work to do and we're going to meet that challenge," said Dalton Sprouse, the district's director of communications.

"But as a district, we are so proud to have many of our schools recognized for their efforts. And it is because of them that as a district, we are officially off the accountability clock."

While noting that a strong leader at the helm is essential for success, Sprouse also thanked "each of our staff members, educators, students and parents, because we all know there are a lot of moving pieces that made this possible."

Those schools maintaining a plan assignment of

performance are Belmont, Goodnight and Haaff elementary schools, Fountain and Corwin International Magnet Schools, Pueblo School for Arts and Sciences and Chavez-Huerta K-12.

Schools that moved up one plan assignment are Columbian and Beulah Heights elementary schools (priority improvement to improvement); and Eva Baca, Heritage and Sunset Park elementary schools, Heroes Academy K-8 and Centennial High School (improvement to performance).

Moving up two plan assignments are Morton and Bradford elementary schools (priority improvement to performance); and Carlile Elementary, Roncalli STEM Academy and Pueblo Academy of Arts (turnaround to improvement).

Both Irving and Ben Franklin elementary schools moved up three plan assignments, from turnaround to performance.

Principals from each of these schools were awarded a certificate and gift as well as accolades from each board member.

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