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To Our NSLDHH Members,

NSLDHH is proud to share several exciting highlights that reflect the growing recognition of Student Life professionals and the meaningful impact you make every day.

Eva and Wilmonda recently represented NSLDHH at the CEASD Conference with a successful and engaging workshop titled “Student Life: The Past, the Present, and the Future—One of the 10,000 Ways to Reach the North Star.” In addition, Anthony Thomas (2029 Conference Host at CSDB) and Marvin Miller led a Student Life-focused workshop that further elevated the visibility and importance of our work. A dedicated Special Interest Group (SIG) session also brought Student Life staff together to connect, exchange ideas, and strengthen our collective voice. The conference wrapped up with Anthony Thomas becoming CEASD new board member for the year. It is both encouraging and affirming to see CEASD continue to recognize the essential role Student Life plays in supporting students.

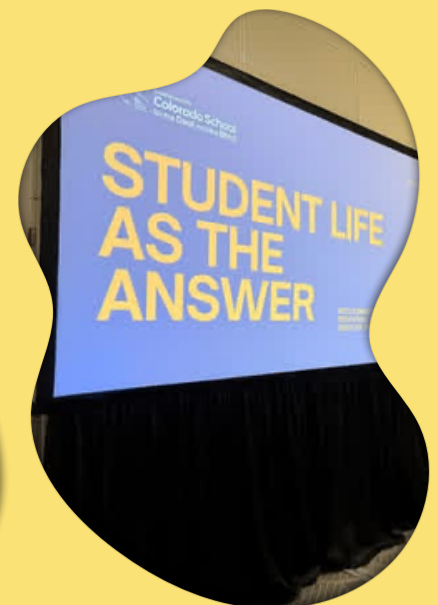
We were also pleased to promote the 2027 NSLDHH Conference, which will be hosted at the Wisconsin School for the Deaf, an event we are already looking forward to with great excitement. Additionally, Matt with Kristin’s support recently concluded NSLDHH final webinar of the 2025–2026 school year, marking another successful year of shared learning and collaboration.

In another exciting development, a researcher from Lamar University is conducting a study that highlights the value and impact of Student Life services. The NSLDHH Board has agreed to support this important work by distributing a survey to Directors of Student Life. Skye will be sending this out soon, so please keep an eye out and consider participating.

As this momentum continues to build, we also recognize that the school year is drawing to a close. Summer is just around the corner—a time to rest, reflect, and recharge. NSLDHH will pause its newsletter over the summer months as we renew our energy and prepare for the year ahead; however, the Board will continue to meet during this time.

Wishing you all a relaxing and joyful summer. Enjoy the slower pace, take time for yourselves, and don’t forget to begin the countdown to our 2027 NSLDHH Conference.

With gratitude,
Eva





Anthony Thomas is an accomplished educational leader and proud alumnus of the Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind (CSDB), where he serves as Supervisor of Student Life Programs. He provides strategic oversight of athletics and residential life, fostering environments that promote student growth, leadership development, and community engagement.

With 18 years of experience in education, Anthony is deeply committed to holistic student development, particularly within residential settings, which he considers his professional calling. He holds a Bachelor of Arts in Communication from the University of Colorado, Colorado Springs, and a Master of Arts in Special Education with an emphasis in Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Education from the University of Northern Colorado, graduating with a distinguished 3.98 cumulative GPA. He is professionally licensed in Elementary and Deaf Education.

Anthony is a member of the Conference of Educational Administrators of Schools and Programs for the Deaf, as one of their newest Board members, (CEASD) and part of the Leadership Academy, Cohort 8. He serves on the National Student Life for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (NSLDHH) Board as the 2029 Conference Chair. As a former National Deaf Academic Bowl Champion and 8-Man Football All-American, he leads with discipline, resilience, and teamwork. He remains dedicated to empowering students to pursue excellence without limits.

Outside of his professional responsibilities, Anthony values time with his family and his passion in aviation. A licensed pilot since 2010, he takes pride in sharing that enthusiasm with others.

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Save the date: our next webinar will be on **September 29**. Curious about the topic? Be on the lookout for more details!



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- Rest and Recharge
- Unplug and Disconnect with work
- Spend time with Friends and Families

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We are looking for webinar presenters for 2026-2027

If you have any ideas for webinar topics for 2026–2027 or are interested in being a webinar presenter, reach out to our Professional Development Specialist, Matt Kruger, at nsldhhconference@gmail.com.

HAVE A WONDERFUL SUMMER!