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April 27, 2023

Principal's Message

Dear Families,

It's hard to believe spring has arrived and summer is just around the corner. This is always an exciting time of year for schools as we begin to recognize the growth students have made throughout the year. At the choir concert on Thursday, April 27th, we will hear the choral progress of students, guided by Ms. Brumfiel. Fingers crossed for pleasant weather on Field Day, May 18th, so students can show off their motor skill growth and spirit of collaboration. Athletic pride ws on full display at the Landsharks track meet on Wednesday, April 26, at Liberty Middle School. Wow, can kids run!

This is also the time of year to recognize our amazing Arrowhead staff, volunteers and PTCO. The dedication of Arrowhead staff shows everyday in their care and planning for our students. Relationships they build support academic engagement and most importantly, the love of learning. Every member of the Arrowhead staff, including our dynamic para eductors, special populations team, crossing guards, administrative staff, classroom teachers, building engineer, and before and

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Next year our school will be growing slightly. Our projected student enrollment is 448 plus our pre-kindergarten. We will 4 sections of kindergarten, 3 of first grade, 4 sections of second grade, 3 of third grade, 3 of fourth Grade, and 3 of fifth grade. While we are excited to welcome incoming teachers to our Arrowhead family next year, it is bittersweet to celebrate the retirement of veteran teachers near and dear to our heart. We wish Ms. Smith, Ms. Bell, Ms. Barry, and Ms Hughbanks all the best in their next adventures!

Thank you for the letters, emails, love, and best wishes to Ms. Jones. Mr. Cramer will continue to support Arrowhead as needed while Ms. Jones is out.

Kind regards,

April Hrovat, EdD and John Cramer Arrowhead Elementary

Announcements

PTCO ANNOUNCEMENTS

Arrowhead Elementary Community





Volunteer Opportunities

Are you following Arrowhead's PTCO on Facebook? Scan the QR code to start following!

Upcoming PTCO events:

April 28- Bingo Night May 2- PTCO Meeting

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Report Cards

Report cards will go home on Friday, May 25. Like last time, you will receive your child's report card via email. Please make sure that your email address is accurate in Parent Forms to ensure that you receive it. If you would like a paper copy of the report card or do not receive an email with your child's report card, please contact the Arrowhead office.

Partnership for Academically Successful Students (PASS)

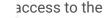
Arrowhead's PASS (Partnerships for Academically Successful Students) Committee is comprised of parents/guardians, teachers and administrators, and community members.

Our goal is to foster an inclusive and safe environment to support the success of students of color. We do this by:

Engaging community members in meaningful and effective partnerships

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- Building relationship
- Providing parents an administration



Our next PASS meeting will be held Friday, April 28th at 8:00 am in the Arrowhead Library. Coffee and donuts will be provided! If you are planning to attend, please fill out this form to RSVP. At our last PASS meeting, we discussed that we wanted to plan events hosted by PASS. We will continue this conversation on Friday and begin planning these events.

Upcoming Dates

April 27 - Choir Concert 6:00 pm

April 28 - PTCO Bingo Night

May 2 - PTCO Meeting

May 3 - District Accountability Committee Community Forum 6:30 pm ISF:

May 4- Multicultural Night 5:30 pm, Indigenous Parent Action Committee 6:00 pm

May 5- No School; Kindergarten Orientation 8:30 am

May 18 - Field Day

May 25 - 5th Grade Graduation (AM) and Kindy (PM) Continuation

May 26 - Last Day of School dismissal at 11:00 am

We Are Hiring!

If you or someone you know is interested in working at Arrowhead, please fill out an application and apply to our positions **here**. The positions we have open are:

Severe Needs Para Educator (7 hours/day): Support students in our ILC program by providing accommodations, academic modifications, and supporting students in self-care as needed. Experience is preferred but not required, as new para educators will be provided with extensive training.

Crossing Guard (45 minutes/day): Help Arrowhead students and families safely cross the street on their way to and from school. The hours are 7:35-8:00 am and 2:40-3:00 pm.

Early Childhood Education (Preschool): If you are interested in working with our youngest learners, please click <u>here</u> for more information!

We are also always looking for substitute para educators and crossing guards who are able to fill in when one of our para educators is out. Please contact our Assistant Principal, April Hrovat, at 720-

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886-2806 or <u>ahrovat@ch</u>



For information on working for Cherry Creek Schools, please visit the Cherry Creek Human Resources page: https://www.cherrycreekschools.org/domain/1417

District Announcements/Events

CCSD 2023 Summer Sports and Activities Guide

<u>Click here</u> to find entertaining summer options for students in the Cherry Creek School District.



Universal Pre-K

Will your child be 4 on October 1, 2023? If yes, then....

Congratulations! Your child can be in Pre-kindergarten for the 2023/24 School Year.

Cherry Creek School District continues to plan for the implementation of Pre-Kindergarten (Universal Preschool or "UPK") for all students who will be 4 years old on or before October 1, 2023. These young learners are valuable members of our school communities. In our prior communication, we planned to be live on the Colorado Preschool Application website by February 15. Currently, we are still working with the state to secure licenses for some of our locations. As soon as we have all licenses, CCSD will move expeditiously to get all our sites listed on the Colorado Preschool Application website for families to register. We are working with the state to have this situation resolved as soon as possible. In the meantime, families can complete their preregistration information for CCSD by visiting the CCSD PRE-ENROLLMENT LINK. We will post updates to our web page, so please check back frequently.

Pre-Kindergarten will be offered at almost every elementary school. It will be half days, Monday-Thursday 8:00am-10:55am (AM session) or 11:50am-2:45pm (PM Session). Transportation will not be provided for students. For special education students, please contact Child Find.

More information can be found on Cherry Creek's Early Childhood Education website: https://www.cherrycreekschools.org/earlychildhood

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Indigenous Parent Action Committee (IPAC)

The IPAC committee is comprised of Indigenous parents/guardians and staff. The committee meets monthly and focuses on the following:

- · Illuminating the presence of CCSD's Indigenous community
- · Affirming and honoring Indigenous students' presence and cultural identities
- Amplifying the voices of the Indigenous community by working directly with district leaders to make changes necessary to better serve Indigenous students and families
- · Forming cross-district partnerships to strengthen the Indigenous community network
- Naming the continuous problems of practice embedded in the CCSD learning experience interfering with Indigenous students' academic and social-emotional success

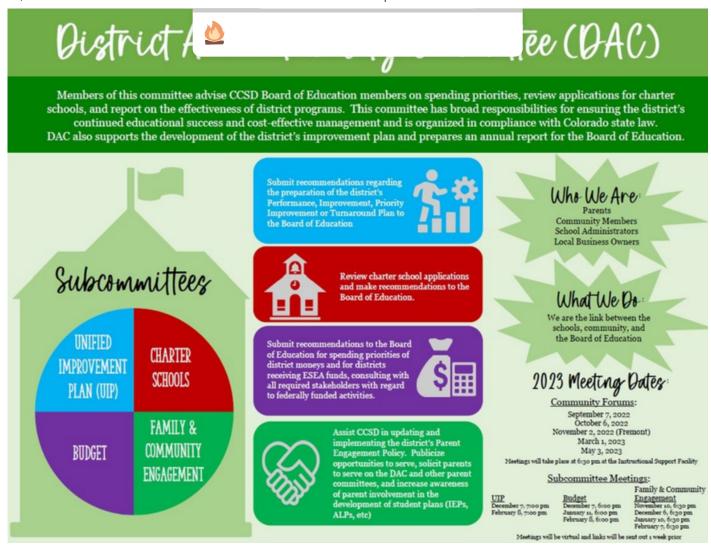
Further information and meeting dates can be found here.

Parent Information Network (PIN)

PIN's mission is to provide informative local and national speakers on topics relevant to current parenting and youth-related issues and to provide a forum for parents to connect and create a caring community. Presentations are held throughout the year at 9:15 am at the Fremont Building (14603 E Fremont Ave, Centennial, CO 80112).

More information can be found at: https://www.pinccsd.org/

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Ongoing Reminders

Volunteer Application

Arrowhead volunteers need to go through our background check process by filling out the district's **volunteer application**. It can take some time for it to clear through the system, so please fill it out 24-48 hours before you will be volunteering. We can only have volunteers who have filled out that application. Thank you for your cooperation and helping to keep our students safe!

School Hours

8:00 am-2:45 pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

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8:00 am-1:45 pm Wedne



If your child is eating breakfast at school, they may arrive at 7:40 am and enter through door 8 on the south side of the school (Cafeteria doors). Students not eating breakfast may arrive between 7:45-8:00 am and should enter through the doors closest to their grade level (see map below). Please note that supervision will not be provided before 7:45 am except for breakfast. The bell rings at 8:00 am and students who arrive after 8:00 am need to enter through the main office doors. Students eating breakfast in the cafeteria will be sent to their classrooms at 8:00.

The school day ends at 2:45 pm on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. On Wednesdays, the school day ends at 1:45 pm. Students will exit from the same doors they entered.

If you are interested in our before and after school child care program, please contact Bobbie Smith at 720-886-2853. They open at 6:30 am to provide before school care and are open until 6:00 pm to provide after school care. They can only accept students who have been registered in advance. They accept Colorado Child Care Assistance Program (CCCAP) for families who qualify and give discounts for families who qualify for free or reduced price meals.

Attendance

If your child will be absent, please call our attendance line at 720-886-2895 to report the absence.

Dogs on School Grounds

Please note that dogs are not allowed on school grounds. If you would like to bring your dog to drop-off or pick-up your child, please remain on the sidewalks around the perimeter of the school or in the field past the last goalpost.

Safe Driving in School Zones

We have 460 students that we need to get safely to and from school each day. Please help us by driving safe in the areas around the school. Both South Ceylon Way and East Bates Avenue are no u-turn zones. Please do not make u-turns in those areas. Please also slow down, use crosswalks, and do not double park. If you see unsafe driving, please report it to Aurora Police. We have requested that they patrol this area.

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Free or Reduced-Price Lunch and Breaktast!

It's not too late to apply for free or reduced-price lunch and breakfast! The federal government is no longer funding free breakfast and lunch for all students. If you would like your child to purchase breakfast and lunch at school, they will need to pay for it unless your family qualifies for the National School Lunch Program (free and reduced-price meals). Information about school meals can be found here: https://www.cherrycreekschools.org/Page/4035

Many families will qualify for the National School Lunch Program, which provides <u>free or reduced-price school meals</u> for students who qualify. **In addition to receiving free or reduced-price meals, students who qualify will receive discounts at CCSD before/after programs, reduced or waived activities and athletic fees, and reduced or waived school fees.** Information can be found here: <u>English</u>

Spanish

To apply for free or reduced-price school meals, please complete this application as soon as possible. You can apply the following ways:

Online: https://family.titank12.com/application/new?identifier=7E9BB5. The application is available in English, Spanish, Burmese, Chinese, French, Korean, Russian, and Vietnamese.

Download a paper form and return to school: English Spanish

Pick-up a paper copy at school: We have paper copies available in the Main Office.

Instructions for filling out the paper forms can be found here:

English

Spanish

Further information about the National School Lunch Program can be found here: https://www.cherrycreekschools.org/Page/4041.

Parking Lot Procedures

Please help us keep kids safe by following our parking lot procedures. Please refer to the map of our parking lot below for where you can safely drop-off/pick-up.

Drop-Off/Pick-Up (Teal): This is a space for you to quickly drop-off and pick-up at the beginning and end of the day. This is a fire lane, so you must remain with your car at all times. <u>Students should enter and exit the car on the curb side (right side)</u>, as cars will be passing in the through lane on the left side of the car.

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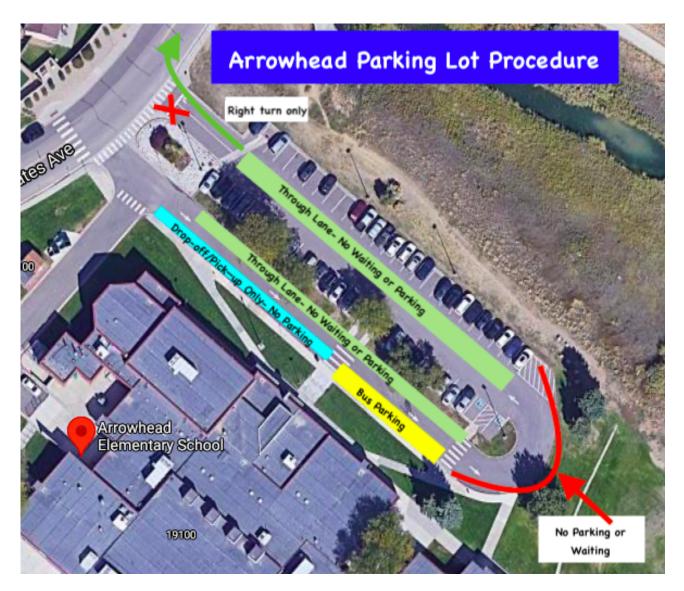


Bus Parking (Yellow): Only buses may park here. Cars parked in this space will be asked to move to make room for buses. Once the buses have departed, this may be used as additional space for pick-up.

Through Lanes (Green): These lanes should continuously move. Please do not wait or park here and at no time should cars be double parked.

Parking: The only space where you may park is in a marked parking spot. If there is not a spot available, please park on the street and walk in.

Right Turn Only (2:45-3:00 pm): When exiting the parking lot during afternoon dismissal, all cars need to turn right out of the parking lot and loop through the neighborhood. For safety reasons, please do not make a u-turn in the areas around the school (signage indicates where u-turns cannot be made).



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