

MOOSE TRAX

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Dear Families,

Happy New Year and welcome back to school! I hope winter break and the few inches of snow and freezing cold temperatures provided ample time to spend with family and friends. A new year means a New Year's resolution. My resolution is to lose weight (again) AND keep a healthy perspective on what is truly important, and that is family, friends, and the importance of having a positive attitude and growth mindset. I feel especially blessed to be a part of the Altitude community and very thankful to be a part of Moose Nation. The staff and I are very excited to be back with your children as we begin the year 2024.

This time of year, prospective Cherry Creek parents begin to look at different elementary schools to plan on where their children are going to go to school. Their children may be starting kindergarten, or they may be enrolling in upper grades. School of Choice (starting now) is for parents who live in the Cherry Creek School District and want their children to go to a different Cherry Creek School aside from their home school. Open Enrollment is for parents that live outside the Cherry Creek School District and would like their children to go to a Cherry Creek School.

January begins the state testing season as well. Students will be taking their mid-year STAR assessment which helps us measure growth throughout the year. We have our English Language Learners taking the ACCESS assessment, and our third through fifth graders will take the Colorado Measurement of Academic Success (CMAS testing window is April 1 – May 2). We would like to thank the entire Altitude family for their support over the next few months. We will continue to inspire all students to think, to learn, to achieve, and to care.

I would like to share a quote from *The Happiness Advantage* by Shawn Achor. The quote is, "we can only learn to deal with failure by actually experiencing failure, by living through it. The earlier we face difficulties and drawbacks, the better prepared we are to deal with the inevitable obstacles along our path." Shawn uses this quote from the book *The Pursuit of Perfect* from Tal Ben-Shahar. Elementary school is the perfect place for students to lay the foundations for reading, writing and math, but more importantly, lay the foundations for dealing with stress and anxiety and how to be resilient and persevere. Thank you for modeling how to deal with stressful experiences. Your attitude and actions will help your children when they face events and obstacles much greater than those they ever faced in elementary school.

Please help us get the word out for all pre-kindergarten and kindergarten students in the Altitude attendance area to go register their students starting February 1st! Cherry Creek's Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK) and Kindergarten Roundup registration information can be found on the district website (please see additional information within this newsletter). It is an immense help if we have a good handle on our numbers so we can keep our class sizes down and build a solid staffing plan. If you know of any pre-kindergarten and kindergarten Altitude Moose for the 2024-2025 school year, please tell them to go register right away! Also, if you are planning to move, please call Allie in the front office at 720-886-4301. This will help us be more accurate when predicting our enrollment.

Before winter break, we announced the 2023-2024 Altitude Teacher of the Year, Jen Christianson. Ms. Christianson represents all the teachers at Altitude Elementary School! A common theme on her nominations was how hard she works to make sure she is meeting all her students' needs. She also has high expectations and does whatever it takes to make sure her students reach their potential. Congratulations, Ms. Christianson! You are very deserving of this honor! Way to represent Moose Nation!

Scott

Events Snapshot:

January 31: District P.A.S.S. mtg (6-7:30pm) Grandview High School
January 31: Dairy Queen (24300 E. Smoky Hill Rd) Spirit Night 5-8pm
February 1: Registration Opens for UPK and Kindergarten
February 6: PTCO General Mtg (6pm) CLC
February 19 and 20: NO SCHOOL
February 20: ALT P.A.S.S. mtg (6pm) CLC



From the clinic!

The clinic is in need of leggings and sweatpants, both size 7/8 or small. If you are able to donate either of these items, it would be greatly appreciated!



Please join us for our annual
Festival of Nations on
Thursday, February 22nd, 2024 from 5-7pm
where we will come together to honor, access, and engage with the
many cultures that our students represent.

What is culture? Identification with, or sense of belonging to, a
particular group based on various cultural categories, including
nationality, ethnicity, race, gender, and religion.

***We are looking for families to share their culture with our
Altitude community.***

Please fill out the form below and return it to the front office

You can also access the form online at

<http://tinyurl.com/ALTFestivalofNations>

If you have any questions, please reach out to
Caren Berger or Emily Kimpton

**I would like to participate in the Altitude Festival of Nations
in the following ways:**

_____ **Share Food**- food can be homemade or store bought, must be served in individual servings (we can provide serving cups/plates)

_____ **Lead an Activity**

_____ Craft

_____ Game

_____ Teach something like language, writing, dance

_____ Other- _____



_____ **Do a Performance or Demonstration**- singing, dancing, ritual, etc

I would love to share _____

_____ **Bring in Items** that represent my culture-art, clothing, artifacts, etc.

_____ I would like my items to be used for a display

_____ I would like to have a table set up so that I can share and educate others about my items

_____ **Join in the Parade of Nations**- similar to the parade of countries at the start of the Olympics, students and their families will walk in a parade around the school behind the flag of the country they are representing. Traditional clothing can be worn, but is not required. The Parade will kick off the event at 5:30pm.

_____ **I know someone else who would be interested in participating**

(local businesses/restaurants/etc)

Student(s) name(s) and grade(s):

Parent/Guardian Contact Name and email

Culture and/or Nation your family represents: _____

Would you like to be connected with other Altitude families who share your culture?

Yes No

I would like to participate in another way _____.

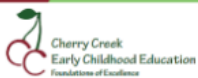
Please fill out this form and return it to the front office by February 9th

We will follow up with you by February 12th

**CONGRATULATIONS TO KRISTIN BEAM!
ALTITUDE'S 2023-2024 VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR**



Thank you for all that you do for our students!



Universal Pre-Kindergarten

**IF YOUR CHILD WILL BE 4 BY OCTOBER 1ST, 2024,
THEY WILL BE ELEGIBLE FOR
UNIVERSAL PRE-KINDERGARTEN (UPK)!**

**UPK IS A TWO-STEP PROCESS THAT REQUIRES
YOU TO REGISTER WITH THE STATE AS WELL
AS THE DISTRICT. REGISTRATION OPENS
FEBRUARY 1ST.**

CLICK [HERE](#) FOR MORE INFORMATION!
(INFO ABOUT THE PRE-K ENRICHMENT PROGRAM MAY BE FOUND [HERE](#))



CHERRY CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT

Kindergarten Roundup 2024

Kindergarten enrollment for the 2024 - 2025 school year
starts February 1, 2024

(Current students attending a Pre-Kindergarten program who live in the district do not
need to re-enroll for Kindergarten)

School Choice applications for Non-Residents can be submitted through the
following website: <https://www.cherrycreekschools.org/Page/1770>

**Online pre-enrollment is required! Please visit our website for
more information.** <http://www.cherrycreekschools.org/Admissions>

*Please use any computer or smartphone to complete the online
CCSD Student Enrollment Forms.*

District Admissions: 5416 S. Riviera Way, Aurora (Picadilly St & Riviera Way)

Step 1	Go to https://www.cherrycreekschools.org/Admissions and create a PowerSchool Enrollment account to enroll a new student into CCSD.
Step 2	Enter the information requested and attach the required documentation. Be sure to click on SUBMIT when complete.
Step 3	You will receive an email that your paperwork was successfully submitted . You will receive another email after your student has been fully enrolled .

**All enrollment requests will be processed in the order they were received.
Please allow a few business days during our busy enrollment times.**

For more information, please visit our website at:
www.cherrycreekschools.org > Admissions > Student Enrollment

**Welcome
Class of
2037!!**

Documents Required for Enrollment:

1. **Birth Certificate**: Student must be 5 years
old on or before 10/1/2024.
2. **Immunization Records**
3. **Proof of residency**: Current Gas/Electric bill
(visit Admissions website for additional options)
4. **Photo ID of parent / guardian**

Name: Altitude Elementary

TAKE A PICTURE OF PEOPLE WHO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN
THE LIVES OF CCSD STUDENTS.

WHAT MAKES THEM SPECIAL?



The CCSD Board of Education's dedication to

excellence for all of our students makes them

special to us! We are thankful for all that they do!

REGISTRATION OPENS FEBRUARY 5TH

GIRLS ON THE RUN



SPRING SEASON

Join today!

REGISTER AT
WWW.GIRLSONTHERUNROCKIES.ORG

MARCH
5TH

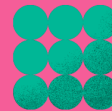
THRU

MAY
10TH

3RD, 4TH, &
5TH GRADE
GIRLS

COACH CHRISTIANSON,
COACH FORBES,
COACH WADDINGHAM, &
COACH WHIPPLE

PRACTICES WILL BE HELD ON
TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS



CT FEEDER

BASKETBALL NIGHT



WEDNESDAY-JANUARY 24TH

GIRLS JV @ 4
GIRLS VARSITY @ 5:30

BOYS JV @ 5:30
BOYS VARSITY @ 7

UNIFIED @ 4

GENERAL ADMISSION \$6
PURCHASE TICKETS
USING QR CODE



CT Basketball

STUDENTS- WEAR YOUR SCHOOL'S
SPIRIT GEAR AND GET INTO THE
GAME FOR FREE!



MOOSE MEMORIES!!

★ 2023-2024 ★

ALT YEARBOOKS ARE NOW ON SALE FOR \$25!

SCAN THE QR CODE TO PURCHASE!



Yearbook price goes up to \$30 February 1st!



Calling all dads, grandads, uncles, and other male father-figures interested in volunteering!

Please click [HERE](#) to fill out CCSD's volunteer application (if you haven't already). This must be filled out each year by our volunteers.

Please click [HERE](#) to sign-up to be a WatchDOGS volunteer!

Student Health and Wellness Reminders from CCSD Health Services Department

More information can be found at the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) School and Child Care Settings website [CDPHE](https://www.cdphe.gov/schoolchildcare)

The best way to remain healthy and prevent illness from spreading is through *good handwashing habits* (washing hands for 20 seconds with soap and warm water after using the bathroom, blowing nose, sneezing/coughing, and before/after eating), getting vaccinated for preventable diseases, and staying home when sick!

Stay home when sick!

- If your student is not feeling well enough to take part in their usual activities due to illness symptoms, they should stay home.
- If your student needs to be picked up from school, have a plan in place to pick them up as soon as possible.

Fever

- Defined as a body temperature over 100.4° F.
- Students may return to school *after* being 24 hours fever-free without the use of fever-reducing medication such as Tylenol (acetaminophen) or Motrin/Advil (ibuprofen).

Vomiting/Diarrhea

- Students may return to school 24 hours *after* the last episode of vomiting or diarrhea unless it is caused by an illness that requires them to stay home longer.
- If your student has a medical condition that causes them to have spit-up, reflux, or loose stools regularly, please work with your school nurse to develop a plan.

Cough

- Remind students to cough into their elbow; this helps keep the hands clean and decreases the spread of illness.
- If the cough is severe or uncontrolled, keep your student home
- If a cough lasts longer than two weeks, we encourage checking in with your healthcare provider.

Lice

- Signs of lice:
 - Itching of the scalp, presence of live lice, eggs attached to the hair shaft, or small pinpoint scabs at the base of the hairline.
 - If *live* lice are present, students may remain in school until the end of the school day; however, they cannot return until *after* receiving an approved pediculicide (lice) treatment per CDPHE guidelines.
- Reminder: lice is a nuisance and not a public health concern.
 - This means it is not a reportable infectious disease, as it does not spread disease.
 - It is *not* due to poor hygiene habits.
 - We do not send notification letters home to the school community when lice cases are present, unless directed by the public health department.
 - We do not perform routine classroom-wide lice checks.

Vaccines

- Many childhood/school-aged illnesses can be prevented by receiving routine vaccines. Talk with your student's healthcare provider or school nurse for more information.

Wishing all students, parents/guardians, and staff a healthy school year!
Cherry Creek School District Health Services Department

Don't miss our February 6th presentation



Money Doesn't Grow on Trees: Raising Financially Savvy Kids

Tired of your kids asking you for money? Make changes that will help them manage money now and lead to reduced financial stress in the future. Join PIN as we learn more about creating financial competencies with Craig Kalley, author of the award-winning book *Money Athletics: Your Game Plan to a Financially Fit Teen*.



- **Set up real -life situations for your kids to practice saving, spending and investing**
- **Involve your child in the process of managing their own money**
- **Learn the importance of parents in the role of money coach**



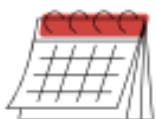
Tuesday Feb 6, 9:15 - 11am

14603 E. Fremont Ave.

Centennial, CO 80112



As an accomplished IT professional and executive leader with engineering and finance degrees, Craig Kaley sought to raise his three children to be financially strong. He created Moneyletics and now coaches and trains parents in Colorado and throughout the U.S on creating financially savvy adults by starting when they are children.

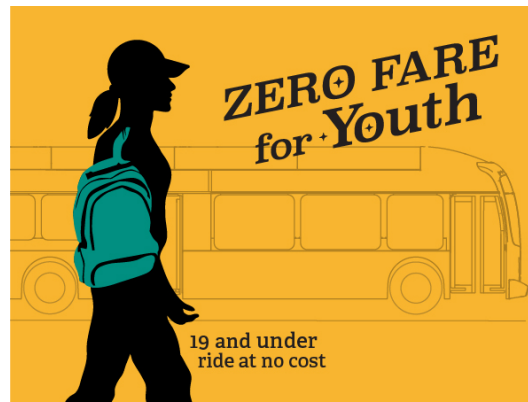


Save the Date: March 5th - 9:15 a.m. with Andrea Pitman and Dani Gugel of the Nectar Group

Homework Help: Keeping Your Sanity while Empowering Your Child

PIN: Informing, Inspiring and Empowering Parents for more than 45 years

Missed the live presentation? Recordings will be available at PINccsd.org



**FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 2023 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2024, YOUTH 19 AND UNDER CAN
JUST HOP ON BOARD ***

RTD is excited to welcome a future generation of transit users to experience all the benefits at no cost.

Zero Fare for Youth is a one-year pilot program that aims to enhance the lives of RTD customers and communities by reducing transportation costs for families.

By inviting youth ages 19 and under to ride the bus and train at no cost, we also remove barriers to education and employment, while creating access to destinations across the metro Denver region. If you're new to our system, check out our How to Ride video.

***What Do I Need to Show When I Ride?**

To ride at no cost as part of this program, you must be prepared to show one of the following to the bus operator or fare inspector: current school ID, valid government-issued ID, alien registration/permanent resident card, Military ID/dependent card with DOB, RTD-issued youth special discount card.



Click [HERE](#) for more information!

Altitude will begin taking donations in February 2024!

February Donation Drive

recognizing the

Superintendent Student Advisory Council

Cherokee Trail Feeder Area

Altitude ~ Black Forest Hills ~ Buffalo Trail ~ Canyon Creek ~ Coyote Hills ~ Pine Ridge ~ Woodland ~ Fox Ridge ~ Infinity ~ Cherokee Trail

**Collecting Toiletries and Household Items
to support CCSD school-based resource pantries**



*** NO FOOD ITEMS PLEASE ***

**Make a
Monetary
Donation**



**Use Amazon
Wishlist to
Donate**



**Donations accepted at schools listed above
February 1-29**

Click [HERE](#) to Purchase Altitude Spiritwear!

SPIRITWEAR WEEKLY AD

VALID JAN. 19 - 25, 2024



Rainbow Hoodies

#1162Y, W1162

15% OFF

Ladies' Classic
Funnel

#EZ329

10% OFF



BLANKETS!



10% OFF

Tri Blend Long Sleeves

#3075, 3076, 3077

10% OFF



Football Tees

#6937, 3537

15% OFF



Gildan Crewnecks

#18000 & 18000B

20% OFF



**Flat Rate
Shipping!**

SHIPPING IS ALWAYS
\$4.95 ON ALL ORDERS



CLASES DE INGLÉS

Gratis para padres en el Distrito Escolar de Cherry Creek



REGISTRESE AQUÍ



ESCUELA PREPARATORIA CHERRY CREEK

enero 16 – mayo 16, 2024

Días - martes y jueves

Hora - 5:30 - 8:00 PM

Aulas: 300 & 302 (edificio oeste):

Inscribirse: Escane código QR

Correo info@thelearningsource.org

ESCUELA PREPARATORIA OVERLAND

enero 17 – mayo 15, 2024

Días - lunes y miércoles

Hora - 5:30 - 8:00 PM

Aula: 117A

Inscribirse: Escane código QR

Correo info@thelearningsource.org

ESCUELA PREPARATORIA SMOKY HILL

enero 17 – mayo 15, 2024

Días - lunes y miércoles

Hora - 5:30 - 8:00 PM

Aula: I-31

Inscribirse: Escane código QR

Correo info@thelearningsource.org

ESCUELA PREPARATORIA EAGLECREST

enero 16 – mayo 16, 2024

Días - martes y jueves

Hora - 5:30 - 8:00 PM

Aula: W291

Inscribirse: Escane código QR

Correo info@thelearningsource.org

ESCUELA PREPARATORIA GRANDVIEW

enero 17 – mayo 15, 2024

Días - lunes y miércoles

Hora - 5:30 - 8:00 PM

Aula: U302

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Correo info@thelearningsource.org

ESCUELA PREPARATORIA CHEROKEE TRAIL

enero 16 – mayo 16, 2024

Días - martes y jueves

Hora - 5:30 - 8:00 PM

Aula: Centro de Recursos Cougar

Inscribirse: Escane código QR

Correo info@thelearningsource.org

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التسجيل هنا



مدرسة تشيري كريك الثانوية

يناير 16- مايو 14 ، 2024

أيام - الثلاثاء والخميس

الوقت - 5:30 - 8:00 مساءً

الغرفة رقم: 300 و 302 (البنية الغربية)

التسجيل: عن طريق مسح الرمز

البريد الإلكتروني info@thelearningsource.org

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الأيام - الاثنين والأربعاء

الوقت - 5:30 - 8:00 مساءً

الغرفة رقم: A117

التسجيل: عن طريق مسح الرمز

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الأيام - الاثنين والأربعاء

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الغرفة رقم: I-31

التسجيل: عن طريق مسح الرمز

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يناير 16- مايو 16 ، 2024

أيام - الثلاثاء والخميس

الوقت - 5:30 - 8:00 مساءً

الغرفة رقم: W291

التسجيل: عن طريق مسح الرمز

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يناير 17- مايو 15 ، 2024

الأيام - الاثنين والأربعاء

الوقت - 5:30 - 8:00 مساءً

الغرفة: U302

التسجيل: عن طريق مسح الرمز

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يناير 16- مايو 16 ، 2024

أيام - الثلاثاء والخميس

الوقت - 5:30 - 8:00 مساءً

الغرفة: مركز كوجر للمصادر

التسجيل: عن طريق مسح الرمز البريد الإلكتروني info@thelearningsource.org

英语课

- 樱桃溪学区的家长上课免费



REGISTER HERE



CHERRY CREEK HIGH SCHOOL-樱桃溪高中

2024年1月16日 - 5月16日

日期: 周二和周四

时间: 下午5:30 - 8:00

地点: 西楼300&302

注册: 扫描二维码

电子邮件: info@thelearningsource.org

OVERLAND HIGH SCHOOL-陆上高中

2024年1月17日 - 5月15日

日期: 周一和周三

时间: 下午5:30 - 8:00

地点: 117A

注册: 扫描二维码

电子邮件: info@thelearningsource.org

SMOKY HILL HIGH SCHOOL-烟雾山高中

2024年1月17日 - 5月15日

日期: 周一和周三

时间: 下午5:30 - 8:00 PM

地点: 1-31

注册: 扫描二维码

电子邮件: info@thelearningsource.org

EAGLECREST HIGH SCHOOL-鹰冠高中

2024年1月16日 - 5月16日

日期: 周二和周四

时间: 下午5:30 - 8:00

地点: W291

注册: 扫描二维码

电子邮件: info@thelearningsource.org

GRANDVIEW HIGH SCHOOL-大观高中

2024年1月17日 - 5月15日

日期: 周一和周三

时间: 下午5:30 - 8:00

地点: U302

注册: 扫描二维码

电子邮件: info@thelearningsource.org

CHEROKEE TRAIL HIGH SCHOOL-切罗基步道高中

2024年1月16日 - 5月16日

日期: 周二和周四

时间: 下午5:30 - 8:00

地点: Cougar资源中心

注册: 扫描二维码

电子邮件: info@thelearningsource.org

Questions? (303) 922-4683 or info@thelearningsource.org

www.thelearningsource.org

English:

Please contact Heather McDonnell at hmcdonnell2@cherrycreekschools.org for support with this resource in your language.

Amharic:

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Arabic:

أو org.cherrycreekschools@jsebbahi يرجى الاتصال بـ (جميعه صباحي أو جاودة العلمي) (على).
للحصول على الدعم مع هذا المورد باللغة العربية org.cherrycreekschools@jdajani.ami

Chinese:

如有需要，请经由 ctaylor9@cherrycreekschools.org 与凯瑟琳·泰勒联系，以您的语言获得此资源的支持。

Hindi:

अपनी भाषा में इस संसाधन के समर्थन के लिए कृपया जेम्स रसाइथी को jrasaily@cherrycreekschools.org पर संपर्क करें।

Korean:

귀하의 언어로 이 자원에 대한 지원을 원하시면 (리아 리) 에게 (llee6@cherrycreekschools.org) 로 문의 하십시오.

Nepali:

कृपया जेम्स रसाइथीलाई jrasaily@cherrycreekschools.org मा तपाइयको भाषामा यो संसाधनको सहयोगको िगी सम्पर्क गर्नहथ िो।

Russian:

Пожалуйста, обращайтесь к Ларисе Бака по адресу: lbaca3@cherrycreekschools.org для получения поддержки с помощью этого ресурса на своём языке.

Somali:

Fadlan la xiriir Omar Nur cinwaanka emaylka onur2@cherrycreekschools.org si aad u hesho macluumaad ku qoran luqadaada.

Spanish:

Si necesita ayuda con este recurso en su idioma, póngase en contacto con Ilse Chavez Maldonado en ichavezmaldonado@cherrycreekschools.org, Rosa Han en ghan4@cherrycreekschools.org, Helena Gognat en hgognat@cherrycreekschools.org o Monica Pantoja en mpantoja@cherrycreekschools.org.

Vietnamese:

Vui lòng liên hệ với Thuý Ngọc tại Lchung2@cherrycreekschools.org để được hỗ trợ về tài nguyên này bằng tiếng Việt.