Parent-teacher conferences are quickly approaching March 2 – March 6. Please sign up for conferences! Check your email for information on using Sign-Up Genius to sign up for conferences if you have not done so already.

I came across an article about conferences entitled, Making the most of a teacher conference by R. Kim Herrell and I thought I would share a few excerpts with you.

First, please go to conferences. If you want your child to be interested in school, please show interest in your child’s school experience. Go to conferences every time, but especially attend the last conference at a school and the first conference at the new school. These are the transition conferences. It will help you understand the sometimes-difficult shift your child may experience when changing schools and levels. Our curriculum and standards have changed over the past few years and we would love to share our Moosefolios with you!

Come sit with your teacher and your child to see how your child learns and what they are doing in the classroom environment. Listen to your child talk about the joys and challenges of learning that particular subject. Do not look at individual grades, but look at the trends in your child’s learning. Hear what the teacher has planned as far as outcomes in the class, and how every student can contribute to the learning happening in the entire class. All of this will give you talking points for further conversations with your child. Continuing the conversation at home keeps a spotlight on the importance of learning.

I reiterate: Please go to conferences. Support your child. Please, also support your child’s teacher and school. Everyone is nervous in these days of cut and stretched dollars. Come with an open hand and open ears and you will find the same. A child’s teacher will celebrate your child’s success and behavior with you. Continue that celebration and conversation about education at home. Together, we are the change education needs.

Our goal is to have 100% participation in each classroom at Altitude Elementary. Thank you for your help in achieving our goal.

(Excerpt taken from Making the most of a teacher conference by R. Kim Herrell)

Please help us get the word out that it’s KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP time for the Altitude attendance area. Our official week for kindergarten registration is February 18-21. We are in the process of evaluating our enrollment to determine spaces we may have available for our school of choice and open enrollment students. It is a great 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 any future Altitude Moose for the 2020-2021 school year, please tell them to register right away! Visit our website and click on Registration in the Parents tab for more information. If you are planning to move, please call Marcie in the front office at 720-886-4301.

Lastly, do not forget tomorrow night, Tuesday February 11, is the Cherokee Trail Feeder Celebration of the Arts night beginning at 5:30 pm. Select student’s artwork will be on display and members of our Altitude choir will be performing with all of the schools that feed into CTHS! Thursday February 13 at 6:00 pm in the Altitude CLC, is a special PTCO/Parent Night where we will be sharing executive functioning strategies and future growth information. Come learn many great strategies to help your student be successful, as well as our future growth plan!

Happy Valentine’s Day,
Scott
Our last day for Make-A-Wish – Quarters for Kids is Tuesday February 11th

We are so excited to be introducing you to our Wish Kid… JULIAN! He is a 10 year old boy who received a bone marrow transplant to fight leukemia and his wish is to go to Nintendo World in Japan! Some of Julian's favorite things are pizza, Kii-Kii, rap music, fast cars, and the movie "Fast and Furious"! He also loves riding scooters, playing soccer and Super Mario. Isn't he adorable?

Our first event to kick off the week is our annual dodgeball tournament today, Monday, February 10th at 7pm. Julian will be there to join in on the fun and we hope you all will too! It’s the perfect opportunity for the community to come together. For those interested in buying shirts, we plan to sell them during and after the game.

Online donations are being accepted:
Venue: @CTWishWeek
Online donation link: bit.ly/ctwish2020

We are so excited to take you all on Julian's Journey with us! We will see you all on Tuesday when we come to collect your donations!

Thanks,
Amruta Kelshuler and Anna Dinescu
CTHS Leadership

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Panera Bread®
Spirit Night
February 11th
4pm – 8pm

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PTCO General Meeting
Thursday, February 13 at 6:00pm in the Altitude CLC

It is our Executive Functioning Parent Night! If you are noticing your child having trouble staying focused at home, this special event will help give you strategies to use to improve their attention and increase your student’s ability to focus! We will also be sharing our CCSD’s Future Forward plan to accommodate our growth. You do not want to miss it!
ALTITUDE ELEMENTARY

KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP
2020-2021

WHAT TO BRING:
☐ Birth Certificate (Must be 5 years old on or before October 1, 2020)
☐ Immunization Record
☐ Proof of Residency (Current Xcel Energy bill. Visit our website for additional options)
☐ Photo ID of parent/guardian
☐ Registration Forms: www.cherrycreekschools.org > Admissions

WHEN:
FEBRUARY 18—FEBRUARY 21 7:30am—4:00pm

WHERE:
EAST Admissions—5416 S. Riviera Way, Centennial
(Piccadilly St. & Riviera Way) 720-886-7480
WEST Admissions—9150 E. Union Ave, Greenwood Village
(Yosemite St. & E. Union Ave) 720-554-4550
** Students do not have to be present when registering **

*Students currently attending a CCSD preschool do NOT need to re-register
*Non-Residents applications will be available online April 1, 2020

Tickets are ON SALE NOW!!

MOOSE MOUNTAIN SILENT & LIVE AUCTION

Early Bird Tickets!
GO ON SALE:
FEBRUARY 10TH—MARCH 2ND
$55.00/PERSON—INCLUDES 2 DRINK TICKETS, DINNER, LIVE & SILENT AUCTION & DJ!

A SNEAK PEEK AT SOME OF OUR AUCTION ITEMS:
- AIRLINE FLIGHTS
- SPORTS MEMORABILIA
- RENTAL HOUSES
- VACATION DESTINATIONS
- GIFT BASKETS
- GIFT CERTIFICATES

*PRESS CODE: MAD ABOUT PLAID \ C ASUAL
*Want to sponsor a teacher for $35?
DATE OF EVENT: APRIL 23, 2020

Join us on Saturday April 25th
Heritage Eagle Bend Golf Course

General Admission
March 3rd—April 14th = $65.00 per person
Full Price General Admission
April 15th—April 21st = $80.00 per person

https://handbid.app.link/Moose%20Mountain%
PRESCHOOL ENROLMENT

ECE is now making appointments for people wanting to enroll in Preschool for the 2020-2021 school year.

Registration opens on the 18th
Appointments will be available starting February 1st starting at 7am.

www.cherrycreekschools.org/domain/4963

REMEMBER:
Please send your students to school in weather appropriate clothes and shoes. If there is snow on the ground, boots are required to play in the snow. We do keep them inside if it FEELS colder than 20°.

COLD & FLU SEASON HAS ARRIVED!
If your child is diagnosed with an infectious or serious illness, for example: Flu A, Flu B, SARS, Pneumonia or gastrointestinal issues, please email Nurse Barb at e63@cherrycreekschools.org so that we can track serious illnesses at school.
Please keep in mind, your child needs to be fever free (before 100° without fever reducer) and vomit free for 24 hours before returning to school.

If your child is going to be out sick, on vacation, or missing late, please call attendance line: 720-468-4385. If your student arrives after the tardy bell at 8:08am, a parent needs to accompany them into the building because a parent sign in is required.

Altitude Read-A-Thon

You could win FREE tickets to Altitude Day at the Zoo!

Read-A-Thon February 1st—February 28th
Altitude Day at the Zoo - Saturday February 29th
Go to www.cherrycreekschools.org/domain/3170
Scholastic Book Fair
February 26th—March 4th in the CLC
2/26-2/27—Preview Days
2/28—Let the buying begin
3/3—Family Night from 3pm-7pm

Cherry Creek Reads
Read Together, Change Lives Together!
March 9-13, 2020

SAVE THE DATE

Get Ready for Cherry Creek Reads
Grab a new book or an old favorite and get ready to read! The Cherry Creek School District will celebrate the joy of reading during Cherry Creek Reads, coming up March 9-13.

Across our district, students, parents, teachers, staff, friends and family members are encouraged to read for 87 minutes or more during Cherry Creek Reads. That represents one minute for every Cherry Creek school. The goal is simple: to create a community of readers and foster a lifelong love of reading.

The theme for the week is “Read Together, Change Lives Together” and is based on the inspirational book Because by Mo Willems, a New York Times bestselling author and illustrator. Because takes readers on a journey of self-discovery, with the realization of how one small event can change your life forever and make one wonder.... What’s my Because?

Valentines Day
10% OFF SALE
Use Coupon Code SWEETEST10
02/04/20 through 02/14/20. Certain restrictions apply.
WATCH D.O.G.S.
Dads of Great Students

WatchDOGS are fathers, grandfathers, uncles, and other father-figures who volunteer for at least one day each year at an official WATCH D. O. G. S.® school. During the day, WatchDOGS may read and work on flash cards with students, play at recess, eat lunch with students, watch the school entrances and hallways, assist with traffic flow and any other assigned activities where they actively engage with not only their own students, but other students as well. On the day of their participation, WatchDOGS are given a brief review of their involvement and they wear an official WATCH D. O. G. S.® t-shirt identifying them as WatchDOGS.

Come Volunteer Today!! Sign Up Here —— WATCHDOGS

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

ACTIVITIES
HOMEWORK ASSISTANCE-SCIENCE-TECHNOLOGY
PHYSICAL ACTIVITY-CRAFTS-AMES-HESSY
PLAY-Music-DRAMATIC PLAY-ENRICHMENT-HEALTH
NUTRITION-COMMUNITY SERVICE-TEAM BUILDING
SO MUCH MORE!

QUALITY, AFFORDABLE CHILD CARE
ONLINE, FLEXIBLE REGISTRATION
AT EVERY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

REGISTER NOW!

CONTACT YOUR SCHOOL OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE:
www.cherrycreekschools.org/Page/1740
Summer Camps
June - August 2020

- Quality, affordable child care
- Easy online registration
- Conveniently located at CDSI elementary schools
- Exciting field trips and activities
- Only register and pay for the days of care you need
- Dual Star School-Age Rated Programs

Come join the 1000’s of Cherry Creek School District students who get to experience the amazing adventures of full-day camps in CDSI! Enjoy field trips, guest speakers, crafts, games, outdoor play and much more in a friendly program where all your friends are at too!

Register Now!
Register now for CDSI summer camps in Cherry Creek School District and your summer enrollment fee will be waived! Must be 5 years old to attend summer programs in CDSI.

Contact your school or visit our website: www.cherrycreekschools.org/Page/1740

Cherry Creek School District
Community Night with the Colorado Avalanche

Colorado Avalanche vs. Tampa Bay Lightning

Monday, February 17th • 7:00PM • Pepsi Center

Tickets start at $23
Pricing subject to change

To order tickets:
https://Avalanche.KSETickets.com/CHERRYCREEKSpring

Each ticket includes a $5 donation to the Cherry Creek School District

Can’t make the game above? Come to the back up!
Wednesday, February 26th • 6:00PM
Colorado Avalanche vs. Buffalo Sabres

Use the link above to order tickets!

For questions please contact Erin Croce with the Colorado Avalanche at 303.405.6130 or email Erin.Croce@TeamKSE.com
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FOR FUTURE CTHS COUGARS

6th-8th Grade
2020-2021 School Year
All levels welcome!

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* TECHNIQUE
* POM
* TECHNIQUE
* COMPETITIONS
* HALF-TIME
* PERFORMANCE
* TRYOUT
* PREPARATION

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MORE INFO HERE

CHERRY CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT
CAREER FAIR
Saturday, February 29, 2020

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Questions?
Email us at:
jobfair@cherryckeschools.org
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Onsite Interviews 8AM – 2PM
Fremont Building
14603 E Fremont Ave
Centennial, CO 80112

- Sign up at:
http://cherryckeschools.org/jobfair
- Fill out an application online at:
http://applyto.cherryckeschools.org/workspace/
FEBRUARY 13, 2020

You Are Invited: Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC):

Rocky Mountain Hospital for Children Panel
This panel’s goal is to facilitate interactions children with special needs and their parents might encounter in the healthcare and educational environments. The panel will share techniques that have been helpful to them as providers, navigators, parents and educators. Comments and questions are welcomed but be aware the panel will not be able to answer questions on specific personal health information.

Coffee at 9:00 a.m.
We will provide regular coffee from Equal Grounds before the meeting. Equal Grounds is a coffee shop run by students with developmental disabilities in the Transition Program.

An Innovative Look at Nutrition: The Way to the Brain is Through the Stomach
Wed, Feb 4th, 2020
9:35 - 11:35
14603 S Fru Mont Ave
Centennial, CO

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Fueling the Brain...Emotionally and Physically through Proper Nutrition
- How do I know what foods are best for my body?
- How do I build a healthy, lasting relationship with food?
- What foods improve brain health in my children?
- What foods decrease inflammation, and risk for brain related conditions such as Alzheimer’s?
- Do I need supplements for balanced nutrition?

Learn to optimize your body and brain with food!
- Learn to make confident choices and build a lasting relationship with food
- Learn which positive, lifestyle-focused foods to promote in your home
- Learn how diet and exercise can improve body and brain health

About our speaker
Anne Schwartz, MS, RND, MS, RDN, is a Registered Dietitian and Nutritionist at Paramount Health Directors in Cherry Creek. She works with clients of all ages to improve health and relationships with food, and develop sustainable lifestyle skills. She specializes in nutritional counseling, weight management, and disordered eating patterns, and has experience in both adult and pediatric acute care hospitals, as well as outpatient clinics. Ms. Schwartz graduated Magna Cum Laude from Texas Christian University with a BS in Dietetics and a MS in Nutrition.

Parents, educators, and community members are welcome and encouraged to attend PNM’s FREE presentations. No need to RSVP—just come!

Upcoming Events - Mark Your Calendar!
- March 2nd and 3rd, 2020: Money Doesn’t Grow on Trees: Creating Financially Responsible Kids with Craig Kiley, founder of MoneyKEY
- Annual Banquet, April 28th, 2020: (AM) The Minds of Boys and Girls. (PM) Saving Our Sons with Dr. Michael Gerson, NYT bestselling author, gender expert, brain researcher, Co-founder of the Gerson Institute

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Office of Inclusive Excellence
Cultural Immersion Series

INDIGENOUS VOICES

This class will increase positive awareness and understanding of Indigenous ways of life, as it pertains to CCSD communities. As "Indigenous People" encompasses a multitude of tribes, customs and languages, and geographically located traditions, this course will examine the impact of stereotypes, misperceptions, and misunderstandings regarding the students and families of CCSD. Educators will develop a critical perspective of contemporary/urban Indigenous voices informed by real lived experiences, and learn ways to interrupt equitable educational practices.

This course will facilitated by Ms. Donna Chrisjohn, Community Parent Educator

Saturday, February 22nd 9:00 - 12:00 pm SARC
Tuesday, February 25th 6:00 - 8:00 pm SARC
Saturday, February 29th 9:00 - 12:00 pm SARC
Tuesday, March 3rd 6:00 - 8:00 pm Fremont
* Sat. March 7th History Colorado Museum
Thursday, March 12th 6:00 - 8:00 pm Fremont

Register on PD Pro

1 CCSD Credit hour is $100

Contact Lisa Drangsholt for more information ldrangsholt@cherrycreekschools.org

[Image of a moose giving a thumbs up with text: "That's a Wrap"]