



Mammoth Tracks

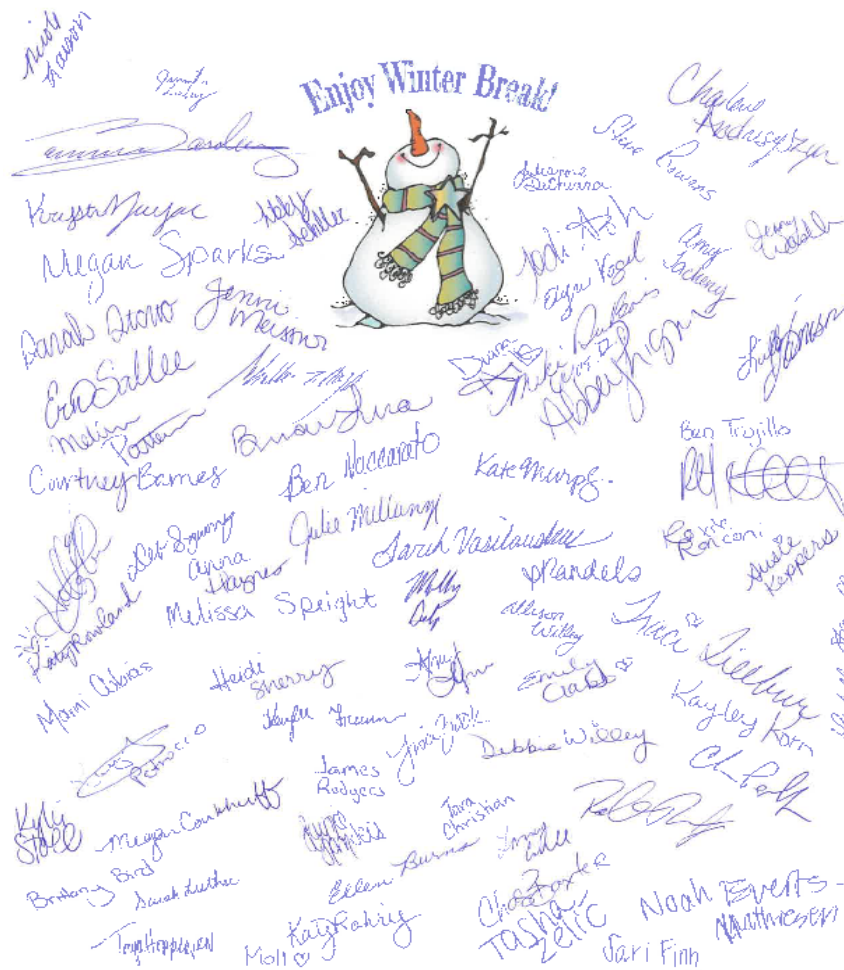
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December 17, 2021

24 Hour Attendance Line: 720-886-2795

Upcoming Events

- December 18 – January 3 Winter Break, no school (return January 4)
- January 11 Spirit Day (wear blue and orange)
- January 11 Community Night at Lazy Dog
- January 14 Reward Day, dress like a movie or book character
- January 17 NO SCHOOL, Holiday, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- January 18 – 31 "Souper" Bowl, food drive for SECOR
- January 19 PTO Community Meeting + Accountability, Library, 6:30 p.m.
- January 21 PTO Family Dance, Sky Vista
- January 28 CCSD Spelling Bee





Members and coaches of the MVE Girls on the Run Team spent Colorado Gives Day wrapping up their season-end Community Impact Project for the Humane Society of the South Platte Valley. The team delivered dog and cat food, blankets, towels, treats and toys for the animals.



MVE SPELLING BEE

Congratulations to our MVE Spelling Bee Champion, Violet S! Our top three spellers and one alternate are preparing for the CCSD District Bee on January 28th. We're so proud of all of the Mammoths who studied hard and spelled their hearts out on December 10th! Good luck Violet, Anish, Kristina, and AJ!



LOOKING FOR CROSSWALK SUPPORT!



Safety is our number one priority, and we're looking to hire crossing guards for each of our new locations. All crossing guard positions are 2 hours a day (1 hour AM and 1 hour PM), Monday through Friday. Please contact Megan Carkhuff, mcarkhuff@cherrycreekschools.org, if you are interested!

PARA-EDUCATOR POSITION OPEN AT MVE!

If you are interested in working with our children, we are currently hiring for a Para-Educator for our Severe Needs (ILC) Program. This position is 7 hours a day, Monday through Friday. Please contact Megan Carkhuff, mcarkhuff@cherrycreekschools.org, if you are interested!

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE ART ROOM??

The students and I started our travels to North America, including the countries, United States of America, Mexico, and Central America! Some of the art we will be creating is inspired by the Statue of Liberty, Haitian Tap Taps, and Mexican Suns.

Be sure to be on the lookout for some of these AMAZING new creations on display from our South America and Winter Fun units:

- Mrs. Ash's Kindie artists - "Snow Day"
- Mrs. Jamison's Kindie artists - "Torn Paper Owls"
- Mrs. Vasilauskas' 3rd graders - "Peruvian Woven Ponchos"
- Mrs. Crabb's and Zelic's 4th graders - "Along the Amazon"
- Mr. Rodger's 5th graders - "Moonlit Macaws"

ART STUDIO FOR 3-4-5th graders...

PLEASE READ IF INTERESTED

I will be sending out a sign-up genius for parents to sign-up their child for art studio on January 14th through your Schoology e-mail. This is a 4-week session that will run on Mondays after school until 3:30. Please do not commit if your child already has after school obligations.

The dates are as follows:

January 24th, 31st, February 7th and 14th.

We will be creating a "Tip of the Iceberg" drawing/painting. How much do other people know about you and what is hidden under the surface? Just like an iceberg, often we show a small fraction of our personality to everyone, but what's down deeper is what makes you uniquely and wonderfully you. Students should be prepared to dive deeper into their own self-discovery.

I'm excited to see what intermediate artists create!

If you have art questions, please e-mail me at krowland4@cherrycreekschools.org

Katy Rowland
Art Teacher

COMMUNITY RESOURCE: 2-1-1 HOLIDAY ASSISTANCE

2-1-1 is a wonderful resource to help families connect with services & supports they may need. During the holiday season, this [WEBSITE](#) offers links to holiday resources, such as meals and gifts.



More information about 2-1-1:

“2-1-1 Colorado is committed to helping Colorado citizens connect with the services they need. Whether by phone or internet, our goal is to present accurate, well-organized and easy-to-find information from state and local health and human services programs. We accomplish this through the work of our four Area Information Centers across the state.

No matter where you live in Colorado, you can dial 2-1-1 and find information about resources in your local community. Whether you need help finding food or housing, childcare, crisis counseling or substance abuse treatment, one number is all you need to know.”

Kate Murphy, School Psychologist

Phone: (720) 886-2740

Email: kmurphy13@cherrycreekschools.org

REPORTING AN ABSENCE – ATTENDANCE LINE – 720-886-2795

If your child will be absent for any reason, please remember to call our 24-hour attendance line. Please leave your student’s first and last name and the reason for the absence. If your child is not feeling well, please describe in detail the symptoms they are experiencing. For example, do they have a fever? Do they have shortness of breath, cough, runny nose, upset stomach, vomiting, or diarrhea? Also, leave your name and a good contact phone number for you. Thank you for your partnership as we work to keep our students and staff healthy. **Attendance: 720-886-2795**



STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS!!!!

January 18-31, we will have our **FOURTH** annual **SOUPper BOWL!!!** This is a fun way for MVE students to help other students in need. Donations will go to the **SECOR** (Southeast Community Outreach) Food for Thought Program helping provide food to students in need in Douglas, Elbert, and Arapahoe Counties.

Did you know...

- ★ In Arapahoe, Douglas, and Elbert counties there are over 58,000 children in PK-12 (almost 1/3 of all students) at risk of not having enough food to eat on the weekends, the majority of whom are in elementary schools?

With all the amazing deals going on around the holidays, Student Council wanted to get the word out to our MVE families NOW! Stock up on some non-perishable items while they're on sale and send them in when the food drive begins on January 18.

Grade-level classes will compete against each other to win weekly and grand prizes! The grand prize winner will earn a pizza party sponsored by the Student Council.

What do they need?

- **Food items:** spaghetti sauce, pasta, ramen noodles, canned soup, granola/cereal bars, boxed cereal, instant oatmeal, canned fruit, canned vegetables, peanut butter, jelly, canned tuna, canned chicken, helper/skillet meals, rice, dried or canned beans, flour, sugar
- **Personal hygiene items:** hand and bar soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, body soap, shampoo, conditioner, facial tissues, toilet paper, diapers
- In addition to collecting food and hygiene products, we will be collecting **plastic and/or paper bags**. Bags will NOT be counted toward the class total, but are greatly needed!

For more information on SECOR CARES, please go to:

<https://www.secorcares.com/food-for-thought>

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP TO MAKE THIS A SUCCESSFUL EVENT!

If you are interested in helping Student Council with this event, please contact Mrs. Crabb at ecrabb2@cherrycreekschools.org



CHERRY CREEK DISTRICT CHESS TOURNAMENT

Saturday, March 5, 2022

Enroll early...tournament will be limited to the first 200 students who sign up

DIVISIONS: Grades K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Middle School (6-8), and High School (9-12). Similar age groups may be combined. Students must attend a school in the Cherry Creek School District to play. This is a non-rated tournament. USCF rules will apply.

ENTRY FEE: \$30.00 per child. Money and registration **MUST** be received by Saturday, February 26, 2022. There will be no on-site registration. **No confirmation letters will be sent.**

TIMES: Check in is 8:00 to 8:30 a.m. The Players Meeting is at 8:30 a.m. (All competitors must attend). Round 1 begins at 9:00 am. Each round will take approximately one hour. There will be no scheduled lunch break and no food will be provided. Players should bring their own sack lunch and snacks to eat in between rounds. This is a 5-round, non-elimination tournament - players should plan to participate in all five rounds. The tournament should end around 3:00-3:30.

TIME CONTROL: Time control is G/30 (30 minutes, per player, per game). A clock may be placed on games still in progress 40 minutes after the round start time, with each player getting 10 minutes. Most of the children are not experienced with chess clocks. We will explain how to use the clock to the children, as needed.

PRIZES: In each division, the top finishers will be awarded trophies. Participation awards will be given to non-trophy winners. Awards ceremony will follow the final round and will occur mid-late afternoon, after Round 5 is completed. Ties for trophies will be broken with the following tie-break systems: 1. Modified Median 2.Solkoff 3.Cumulative.

LOCATION: Overland High School, 12400 E. Jewel Ave; Aurora (Enter west side of Overland High School off Jewel Ave. (just east of Peoria St.), go south to the rear of Overland HS and park. Enter Overland HS from the south entrance.

SUPERVISION: Good behavior of all participants is expected. All players 12 years old and younger must have a parent/guardian present for the entire tournament. While parents are not allowed in the competition area once a round begins, parents are required to supervise their children between each round. If it becomes clear a child does not have supervision between rounds, he/she will forfeit the opportunity to compete further and will be asked to leave.

QUESTIONS: Todd Bardwick, 303-770-8898, tbardwick@yahoo.com

Mail checks and the attached entry form to:
Cherry Creek Chess
1 Red Fox Lane
Englewood, CO 80111

Lunch will not be provided. Bring snacks, beverages, and lunch for your child. Every child needs adult supervision for the entire tournament. Parents are not to drop off their children for the day and leave them unattended.

No confirmation letters will be sent. If your registration arrives after 200 players are registered, you will be notified at the phone number listed on your entry form. Checks will be deposited after the tournament.

For any last minute tournament updates, please refer to the Cherry Creek District Website > Programs and Services > Gifted and Talented Services > Chess Tournament

**If the district cancels activities/events on March 5 due to inclement weather,
the Tournament will take place on Sunday, March 6th (same times).**

Masks are required for all players and parents while in the building.

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