Happy Holidays! Pine Ridge Elementary is closed for Winter Break from December 23rd-January 6th.
School resumes Tuesday, January 7th.

Save the Date – Bids and Blue Jeans Annual Auction
Saturday, February 29, 2020 6 to 10 p.m.
Please join us at 2 Penguins Tap & Grill, 13065 E Briarwood Ave, Centennial, CO 80112. Tickets for $55 per person will go on sale Monday, December 2, 2019. Teacher tickets will be $10 each for a Mix & Mingle from 6 to 7 p.m. This would make a great holiday teacher gift! Childcare will be available at Wheatland’s Clubhouse for a fee by the YMCA. Please look for more details in the coming months!
TICKET SALES LINK

Holiday Gift Shop
Pine Ridge is hosting our annual Holiday Gift Shop, which will be located in Room 309. A sneak peek of this year’s shop items is in the main hallway glass case.
This is an opportunity for students to (secretly) shop with their class at a designated time during school hours for everyone on their list! Gift prices range from $0.25 to $12.25. Every gift purchased will come home wrapped, labeled and ready to give.

Holiday Shop Hours:
Fri, Dec 6th — Fri, Dec 13th: 8:15 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., except Dec 13th when it will close at 12 noon.
Closed for lunch each day: 11:55 a.m. – 12:35 p.m. on Dec 6th – Dec 12th.
After School Shopping Day: Wed, Dec 11th from 2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. Parents and guardians are welcome and must accompany all after school shoppers.
Holiday Shop relies on our getting a little help from our wonderful volunteers!
Please sign up to help: Holiday Shop Volunteer Link
PTCO (Parent Teacher Community Organization) Meeting

We welcome everyone’s participation: Parents, Teachers, and the Community.

Please join us for the next PTCO General Board Meeting:

Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.—Library

Other Upcoming PTCO General Meetings for 2019-2020:

February 25th (Spring Grants) and May 5th, 2020.

Facebook: [https://www.facebook.com/pineridgeptco](https://www.facebook.com/pineridgeptco)

Instagram: [https://www.instagram.com/pineridgeptco/](https://www.instagram.com/pineridgeptco/)

Email: preptco@pineridgeptco.com

Website: [https://sites.google.com/site/pineridgeelemptco](https://sites.google.com/site/pineridgeelemptco)

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MOD Pizza Restaurant Spirit Night—Dec 12th

23890 E Smoky Hill Rd Suite 10, Aurora, CO 80016

Southlands ALL day from 10:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Watch for the coming flyers to be sent home! Pine Ridge earns money from the sales.

*NOTE: Please show the MOD Pizza fundraiser flyer or mention Pine Ridge Elementary at checkout.

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Southlands Barnes & Noble Bookfair, 6300 S. Main St. Suite N101, Aurora, 80016

Please join your fellow Panthers on Saturday, December 14th for a special reading, tasty treats, and music family fun event! A portion of the sales and café purchases help contribute to our school fundraiser earnings. Pre-ordered cheesecakes can be picked up at Barnes and Noble Café during the event.

Event Time: 11 am to 4 pm

Complimentary Gift Wrapping Craft Table
Classroom Party Drawing Story Time: 1 pm to 3 pm

Special Performances by the Pine Ridge Elementary 4th and 5th Grade Choir at 11:30 am and 12:30 pm.
The performances will be split by last name: A – J will be performing at 11:30 am and K – Z will be performing at 12:30 pm.

Can’t attend our Bookfair at Barnes and Noble? Please stop by Barnes & Noble Southlands in store on 12/14 between 10 am – 8 pm and mention you are from Pine Ridge Elementary at the register or visit: [https://www.barnesandnoble.com/h/bookfairs](https://www.barnesandnoble.com/h/bookfairs) from 12/14/19 to 12/19/19 and support our school by entering Bookfair ID 12575320 at checkout.

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December Spirit Wear

There’s nothing better than a comfortable cotton t-shirt for added layering and warmth under those cozy clothes during the wintertime. Enjoy an extra 20% off for giving those great holiday gifts!
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DECEMBER 12, 2019

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

Parent Coffee
Come connect with other parents of students with special needs. We will provide pastries and regular coffee from Equal Grounds, a coffee shop run by students with developmental disabilities in the Transition Program.

Nominations are now open for the Golden Heart Awards! This prestigious award is for any individual who has opened their heart and gone above and beyond to touch the life of a Cherry Creek School District student with special needs.

www.surveymonkey.com/r/goldenheart19-20

Who: CCSD parents, guardians, and caregivers who have children on IEPs and 504s

When: Thursday, December 12, 2019
9:30-11:30 a.m.

Freemont Building
Room 164
14603 E Freemont Ave.
Centennial, CO 80112

Upcoming Events:

December 20, 2019
Deadline for Golden Heart Nominations

January 9, 2020
Assistive Technology Panel Discussion

SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SEAC)

Kimberly A. Avalos
720.554.4408
kavalos@cherrycreekschools.org
PASS MEETING

December 17th, 2019 | 5:30-7:00 pm

What is PASS? PASS stands for Partnership for Academically Successful Students! PASS serves the purpose of engaging community members in meaningful and effective partnerships that lead to positive outcomes for all students, but more specifically, students of color. We need your voice regarding how parents and educators can work toward achieving the goal of educational equity.

Pine Ridge Elementary School
6525 S Wheatlands Pkwy
Aurora, CO 80016
Dinner and Childcare to be provided

https://www.cherrycreekschools.org/Page/4015
Greetings,

It is time to nominate for the 2019-2020 Golden Heart Awards!

This prestigious award is for any individual who has "opened their heart" to touch the life of a Cherry Creek School District student with special needs. This includes, but is not limited to, bus drivers, teachers, cafeteria workers, paraprofessionals, specials teachers (media, art, P.E., music), those in support positions, students, and community employers. Each person who receives this award has gone "above and beyond" to support students with special needs who attend Cherry Creek Schools.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT NOMINATIONS:
PLEASE MAKE SURE TO TELL A STORY OR GIVE A DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF HOW THE NOMINEE WENT ABOVE AND BEYOND what would be expected of any individual in their position or job. Nominations will not be considered without this information. This information needs to be specific and detailed.

ALL NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY FRIDAY December 20, 2019 at the close of the business day (4pm). Each person or family may nominate one individual for the award, however, you may not nominate a member of your own family. Nominations for an entire team cannot be accepted. The number of nominations submitted for each person does not affect the likelihood a person will be chosen as a Golden Heart winner.

THIS ELECTRONIC NOMINATION FORM SHOULD TAKE ABOUT 15-30 MINUTES TO COMPLETE AND MUST BE COMPLETED IN ONE SITTING. Incomplete nominations and nominations with name and school only will not be accepted.

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Golden Heart Award recipients will be honored at the Golden Heart Award dinner on April 16, 2020.