Friday Parent Blast
January 31st, 2020

Attendance Line—720-886–8895

T.E.A.M. class is looking for newspapers!
If you have any newspapers at home, bring them into PRE so that our 5th graders can add it to our compost bins. The compost bins are creating soil for our school from the fruit and veggie scraps that have already been collected. Bonus if they are cut and/or shredded! Have your student bring them to the T.E.A.M. room (202). Thank you for your help!

Wish Week - February 10-14th!
Pine Ridge Elementary will be participating in Coin Fundraising now through Tuesday, February 11th.

Online Donation Link: This year, we have a link where anyone is able to donate online as well. The window for online donation is now until Friday, February 14th!

Kindergarten Round Up for Pine Ridge Elementary is from February 3rd-February 7th. Please click below for registration information.

Thank you CCSD School Board!

Dedicated to Excellence
Cherry Creek Schools
Calling All Pine Ridge Jungle Elephants, Tigers, and Bookworms!

Our Jungle Scholastic Book Fair is almost here! Please join your fellow Panthers for three days of rip-roaring fun and get books to enjoy over Spring Break next month. A portion of the sales goes to help purchase new books for our PRE Library.

**When:** Monday, March 2nd to Wednesday, March 4th, 2020  
Mon 3/2 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Tues 3/3 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Wed 3/4 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
**Where:** Pine Ridge Elementary School Library

Dion’s Pizza Restaurant Spirit Night

25750 E Arapahoe Rd, Aurora, CO 80016

Our Restaurant Spirit Night is Wednesday, February 19th at Dion’s Pizza from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Watch for the coming flyers to be sent home! Pine Ridge earns money from the sales.

*NOTE: A printed flyer must be presented or mention Pine Ridge when ordering. Pine Ridge doesn’t receive any sales if neither of these actions are done.*

Pine Ridge Serves Breakfast Every Morning

7:30-8:00 am

Make sure your child starts the school day with a nutritious breakfast in order to learn, grow and develop to their fullest potential.

Please visit our website at [CHERRYCREEKSCHOOLS.ORG](http://CHERRYCREEKSCHOOLS.ORG) to view our menus.

Also, a reminder if your child qualifies for **FREE** lunch they also receive **FREE** breakfast!!
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, March 10th at 6:30 p.m.—Library

Other Upcoming PTCO General Meeting for 2020:


Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/pineridgeptco
Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/pineridgeptco/
Email: preptco@pineridgeptco.com
Website: https://sites.google.com/site/pineridgeelemptco

Amazon Gives
Are you shopping on Amazon for everyday essentials or that little something for yourself or others? Before you checkout your cart, switch over to Smile.Amazon.com and select Pine Ridge Elementary PTO as the charity you support! Every time you shop on Smile.Amazon.com (it will look like the regular amazon.com website), Pine Ridge Elementary PTCO will receive a percentage of your total from Amazon at no charge to you! Thanks for supporting our school, fellow Panthers!

King Soopers Community Rewards
Pine Ridge PTCO has an easy ongoing fundraiser with King Soopers that helps support our school. All you need to do is present your King Soopers loyalty card whenever you shop. Please log into your King Soopers loyalty account, and under Community Rewards, select Pine Ridge Elementary PTCO (#LT282) and enroll.

February Spirit Wear
Get ready with an early Spring look while staying toasty warm with a 10% off on our Rainbow Hoodies this month. Exciting news: You can now get free shipping on all online orders over $50!
Bids & Blue Jeans Annual Auction

Saturday, February 29, 2020 6 - 10 p.m.

Hosted at 2 Penguins Tap and Grill, it is going to be an entertaining night out supporting our school. Date Night attire!

Event Schedule: 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Mix and Mingle with Teachers
7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Food, Drinks, Dancing, and Live Auction

Tickets are $55 per person. The ticket purchase deadline is Friday, February 14th. If you purchase your tickets to the Auction by January 31st, you will receive an EXTRA chance to win an Apple Watch!

We partnered with YMCA, who will host a Kids Night to help with those who need childcare. Kids age 2 (potty trained) through 12 are eligible. The Kids Night will be offered from 6 - 10 p.m. at the Wheatlands Clubhouse and will include dinner, arts, crafts, games, and a movie. Cost is $15 per child. Please see the attached link and know they are only able to take the first registered 50 children: [http://bit.ly/37UzZtt](http://bit.ly/37UzZtt).

Please go to our event website preauction20.givesmart.com for more exciting details and ticket purchases. This will be a great evening of laid back fun, games and a special opportunity to support our school!

If you are unable to attend the event, you are still able to participate in the Silent Online Auction. There are many cool experiences for your family and for students such as being Principal for the Day or attending a tour of the PRE basement!

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Box Tops for Education – Help support Pine Ridge education programs by buying General Mills products!

How to Earn Cash via Receipts and the App or Mobile Website

1) **Download the App and/or Access the Mobile Website.** Search Box Tops for Education in the app store of your mobile device. In lieu of the App, you can choose to access the Box Tops for Education Mobile Website via your smartphone or tablet.

2) **Register for an Account.** Search for Pine Ridge by name, city, or zip code.

3) **Shop.** Keep your receipt!

4) **Redeem your Receipt.** Redeem the Box Tops for Education earnings from your purchase by scanning your full receipt with the App or Mobile Website **within 14 days** of your data of purchase as indicated on the receipt.

The Traditional Clip Program – You can earn cash for your school by clipping the Official Box Tops for Education logo from the packages of purchased participating products.

1) **Check the expiration dates on your Box Tops.** Throw out expired Box Tops, they can’t be accepted.

2) **Clip ‘em or rip ‘em.** Box Tops don’t have to be cut perfectly, but should be cut reasonably close to the dashed line. Just be sure the expired date is visible.

3) **Put your Box Tops in a baggie.**

4) **Send the baggie of Box Tops to your child’s teacher.**

Collection Date: The week before break (March 9 -13, 2020)

Thanks for helping our school!
Cherry Creek School District Preschool Roundup

The month of February is Preschool Roundup in the Cherry Creek School District. Parents of new preschool students will discover how easy it is to register their child for high quality, affordable preschool.

The program features an extremely low staff-to-student ratio and a comprehensive, scientifically based, early childhood curriculum. The program helps youngsters develop the academic and social skills they need for kindergarten and beyond.

"We are an exceptional preschool program," said Stacey Peoples, director of Early Childhood Education for Cherry Creek Schools. “And now we have an exceptional, one-stop registration process that is much more parent-friendly and kid-friendly.”

Registration is the first step in what we hope will be a long and positive relationship with Cherry Creek. The Cherry Creek School District has over 80 different classrooms at 24 different locations. We have three different preschool programs (Colorado Preschool Program, Special Education, and Tuition).

You will start the registration process by answering the following three questions:

1. Will your child be 3 years old by August 18, 2020?
   - YES - please continue to the next question
   - NO - then visit our web page 2 weeks prior to your child's 3rd birthday to register for preschool. Children under 3 cannot be in our classrooms due to licensing requirements. You can stop here, we cannot register your child at this point in time.

2. Will your child be 5 on or before October 1, 2020?
   - NO - please continue to the next question.
   - YES - then your child is kindergarten age and qualifies to register for kindergarten. Children who are kindergarten age should not be in our preschool due to licensing requirements. Please visit the Cherry Creek School District web page for more information about kindergarten
registration. You can stop here, we cannot register your child at this point in time.

3. Is your child receiving services from Developmental Pathways, or are they identified with special education needs?

• NO - please continue to the next section.
• YES - please follow through with the Child Find Evaluation. That is the process that will register your child for preschool. You can stop here, we cannot register your child at this point in time.

Please visit our Early Childhood website for information regarding preschool registration. Preschool registration appointments will be available through a link on February 1st for preschool registrations beginning on February 18th. At the registration appointment, a Cherry Creek Schools Early Childhood expert will help parents fill out the district enrollment forms and any state forms that may be necessary.

Parents can request their child to attend morning or afternoon classes, four days a week.

Some families may be eligible for free or reduced-price tuition if their child has special needs or risk factors that qualify them.

Cherry Creek Schools offers preschool at 24 locations across the district. During their enrollment appointment, parents can select their priorities for placement. Parents will be notified of their placement and their child’s new teacher in May. The new preschool year begins in August.

We look forward to welcoming your family to Preschool.
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

Anna Schwartz, MS, RDN. Ms. Schwartz is a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist at Paramount Health Directions 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 large 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 PIN's FREE presentations. No need to RSVP—just come!
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.
CAFECITOS!
Un evento para escuchar las voces de las familias que hablan español de las escuelas de Cherry Creek

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Cherry Creek School District
Community Night with the Colorado Avalanche

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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 – 6:00 PM
Colorado Avalanche vs. Buffalo Sabres
USE THE LINK ABOVE TO ORDER TICKETS!

For questions please contact Erin Croce with the Colorado Avalanche at 303.405.6138 or email Erin.Croce@TeamKSE.com
CHERRY CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT CAREER FAIR
Saturday, February 29, 2020

Questions?
Email us at:
jobfair@cherrycreekschools.org
An Equal Opportunity Employer

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SPECIALIZED SERVICES

EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT

TRANSPORTATION

Onsite Interviews 8AM – 2PM
Fremont Building
14603 E Fremont Ave
Centennial, CO 80112

- Sign up at:
  http://cherrycreekschools.org/jobfair
- Fill out an application online at:
  http://applyto.cherrycreekschools.org/workspace/
CTHS Presents
7th Annual
CREATE Expo

February 29, 2020
8am - Noon

All K - 5th Graders Welcome!

Enjoy a morning of creative thinking, hands-on, STEAM focused learning activities

Register now at http://www.ccsdcreate.com
CHERRY CREEK DISTRICT CHESS TOURNAMENT
Saturday, February 29, 2020

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: $20.00 per child. Money and registration MUST be received by Saturday, February 22, 2020. 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, 303-770-6696, 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 February 29 due to inclement weather, the Tournament will take place on Sunday, March 1st (same times).

PLEASE SAVE THIS PAGE FOR YOUR OWN INFORMATION
2020 CHERRY CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT CHESS TOURNAMENT
REGISTRATION FORM

NAME___________________________________________________

ADDRESS____________________________________________________

CITY ___________________________ ZIP CODE_____________

HOME PHONE____________________ ALTERNATE PHONE____________

SCHOOL__________________________ GRADE___ MALE___FEMALE___

PARENT’S NAME____________________________________________________

EMAIL ADDRESS (PRINT CLEARLY) _______________________________________

USCF RATING ________________
(For pairing purposes only. If you do not have a rating or don’t know what a rating is, leave blank.)

Parent/Guardian Signature____________________________________________

Please attach a check for $20.00 made out to Cherry Creek School District and mail with this entry form to:
Cherry Creek Chess
1 Red Fox Lane
Englewood, CO 80111

Entries must be received by February 22, 2020

SIGN UP EARLY!
TOURNAMENT IS LIMITED TO THE FIRST 200 STUDENTS

Photos will be taken at this event for potential coverage on the Cherry Creek School District website. If you do not want your child’s photo published, please contact Todd Bardwick on tournament day.
JOIN THE JUNIOR COUGAR POMS

DEVELOPMENTAL DANCE PROGRAM FOR FUTURE CTHS COUGARS

JUNIORCOUGARPOMS@GMAIL.COM

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

*DANCE TECHNIQUE
*POM TECHNIQUE
*COMPETITIONS
*HALF-TIME PERFORMANCES
*TRYOUT PREPARATION

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MORE INFO HERE
Join us at the **COLFAK MARATHON**

The Colfax Marathon 15th anniversary will be huge, and we’re part of it! It’s a great year to run with special events all week!

Run, get fit, have fun, and raise money and awareness for us.

- Enter the race of your choice *(Run the Marathon, Half Marathon, 10 Miler, Relay, OR run or walk the 5K)*
- 100% of the money we raise is ours
- Stay for great food and entertainment at the post-race festival

**What you need to do...**

1. During the registration process, choose us as your favorite charity on the dropdown menu.
2. Already registered? You can edit your registration to choose us as your favorite charity.
3. Have fun!

**Davita. Charity Partners Program**

May 16-17, 2020 • Register now at www.runcolfax.org