



November 4, 2024

Dear Cottonwood Families,

We are hopeful our community will continue to support the school through events like the auction this year, **"There's No Place Like Cottonwood."** The money raised allows Cottonwood to provide the school with Behavior Technicians, Grade Level Paras, equipment for classrooms, and subscriptions to enhance our students' learning. Without this funding, we cannot provide these needed resources. In addition, this kind of support is the number one reason we are able to keep our class sizes more reasonable.

This year, the auction will only be in the fall and only online. There is no spring auction or live event. The goal is to raise \$30,000, so please take some time next week (November 11-15) and bid on lots of wonderful items. There are items such as a pool membership, Ninja Nation passes, Avalanche tickets, lunch with teachers, and Principal for the Day! You can also make a monetary donation on the website if preferred. Please know we value your partnership and the contributions you make as a community!

Visit the auction website to learn more: <https://us.givergy.com/auctionfall2024/>

November at a Glance:

- 11/5 PTO General Meeting @ 6pm**
 - 11/5: District Parent Informational Night (PIN)**
 - 11/6: Field Trips for Kindergarten and 2nd Grade**
 - 11/7: Cottonwood Creek Veterans Day Celebration (see below for details)**
 - 11/14: District Special Education Advisory Committee**
 - 11/15: Dyslexia Community Group Meeting**
 - 11/25: Hockey 101 at Cottonwood**
 - 11/1-11/29: Food Donation Drive (see below for details)**
 - 11/11-11/15 PTO Virtual Auction**
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DISTRICT INFORMATION

Parent Informational Night (PIN)

Date: Tuesday, November 5th 2024

Time: 9:15 a.m. - 11:00a.m.

Where: 14603 E. Fremont Avenue, Centennial, CO 80112

Topic: Finding Our Feelings: Tools for Exploring and Navigating Emotions

[PIN Nov 5 Presentation](#)

[Upcoming PIN meetings](#)

Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC)

Date: Thursday, November 14th 2024

Time: 9.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.

Where: SARC (14188 E Briarwood Ave, Centennial, CO 80112)

Topic: What is my behavior communicating? De-escalation and CPI training

[Upcoming SEAC meetings](#)

Dyslexia Community Group Meeting

Date: Friday, November 15th 2024

Time: 9:30a.m.-11:00 a.m.

Where: SARC (14188 E. Briarwood Ave., Centennial CO 80112)

[Upcoming meetings](#)

SCHOOL INFORMATION

November Donation Drive

November 1st through the 29th, the Cherry Creek High School feeder schools are hosting a donation drive to support school resource pantries throughout the district.

Thank you for your generosity in helping our community.

Ways to Donate:

- Collection of individually packaged snack foods, toiletries, and shelf-stable items
 - Send items to COT with your student
 - Drop off items at the main office
- [Monetary Donations through RevTrak](#)
- Donators can purchase requested items through our [Amazon Wishlist](#)
- [The CCSD School-Based Food & Resource Pantry Website](#)

Girls on the Run

Girls on the run is collecting candy to share with our local fire stations to thank them for all the hard work they do for our community! Please bring wrapped and sealed candy to school November 5th, 6th or 7th. There will be boxes at the front of the school and in grade level hallways to collect the candy. Girls on the Run will deliver the candy with a huge thank you for helping to take care of our community! Thank you for your support!

Cougar of the Month Award celebrates Cottonwood Creek students who consistently demonstrate ROAR (Respect. Own It. Attitude. Responsibility.) behavior. One student from each grade level is nominated by staff each month for the award.

Congratulations to our November Cougars!



Kindergarten: Johanna Berg

First Grade: Hayden Carron

Second Grade: Axel Raiola

Third Grade: Peter An

Fourth Grade: Kolette Raiola

Fifth Grade: Jesse Gold



Red, White & Blue Spirit Day

In honor of our Veterans, this Thursday, November 7th will be Red, White and Blue Spirit Day. Students are encouraged to show their patriotism by wearing red, white, blue or any combination of the three. Feel free to add stars and stripes to take it to the next level!



Check out our new after school club on our website!!

[LINK](#)

Cold Weather Recess:

Dropping temperatures mean students will require outdoor clothing for recess. The district's policy is that, in the absence of lightning, thunder or precipitation, students will have outside recess if the temperature "feels like" 20 degrees fahrenheit or above. Therefore, please be sure to send students to school with appropriate clothing to play outside in the cold and possible snow. We cannot assure that clothing dropped off after the start of school will be delivered to students before recess, so please do your best to send these items to school with your child in the morning.

Items being dropped off

As a reminder, classroom deliveries should be in the designated drop off area in the front vestibule **by 9:30 am** in order to be delivered to your students' classroom.



From the Cottonwood Creek Nurse

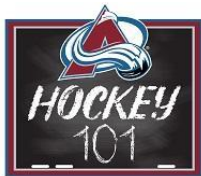
Thank you to our Cottonwood Community for your generous donations! We have a stocked clinic now and can't thank you enough 😊

Health & Wellness Reminders: [A note from the Health Clinic](#)

Hockey 101 with Cottonwood Creek:

When: Monday November 25th

Where: COT 11200 E Orchard Rd



We are very excited to announce that the Colorado Amateur Hockey Development Team will be at Cottonwood Creek to teach ball hockey! Students will have a 45 minute session with the Colorado Avalanche Amateur Development Team. [Discounted tickets here](#) and [Waiver for participation](#)

Sincerely,

Drew Francis - Principal [Cottonwood Creek Elementary School](#)

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