February 2020

Happy Snowy February!!

As this year has progressed, the staff and I have become increasingly concerned with some student behaviors we are experiencing. As a result, we are renewing our efforts to provide students and staff with a safe and orderly environment that is conducive to learning. We ask for your assistance in this endeavor. Please reiterate the following expectations with your children:

1. Be respectful of all students and staff. This includes following all school rules, following directions, and using kind words with everyone.
2. Toys of any kind are not to be brought to school.
3. Cell phones should remain put away at all times unless there has been specific permission from school staff.
4. Students should not leave a school space without permission from school staff. This includes the classrooms, cafeteria, and library.
5. Student actions shall not interfere with other students’ right or ability to learn or interfere with a teacher’s ability to instruct.

I feel that student behavior always conveys a message, so when students come to the office I will take the time to listen to them and attempt to determine what is underlying their behavior. When students are not able to adhere to these expectations, you can expect a phone call or email from the teacher or myself. We ask that you review the expectations with your child and problem solve alternate ways for them to express themselves.

Thank you for your partnership. With all of us working in tandem, we can provide all students and staff with a learning environment that is free from physical or psychological harm.

Fondly,

Chris

Christopher Powell
Principal– Sagebrush
Important Reminders

School Hours 8am-2:45pm

- Students are expected to arrive at school by 7:50 am class starts promptly at 8 am and are considered tardy after 8am.
- Students need to be picked up after school at 2:45, if you cannot be at school by then we do offer Before and After school care services. Call Marlee at 720-886-8370
- If your child arrives after 8 am you need to sign your child in at that front office
- If you need to leave a message for your child please call before 2:30 to insure your child gets the message. Office number 720-886-8300
- When picking your student up early please do so by 2:30 this helps with the teacher and end of day instruction.
- ALWAYS have your I.D with you when you come into the school
- If you need to speak to your child’s teacher during school hours please email them or schedule an appointment with them. Remember every minute counts in the classroom.
- NO DOGS ALLOWED on school property at any time.

Monday February 10th– Board of Education– Polton Elementary 7 pm– 9 pm
Tuesday February 11th– Skate City 3:00 pm and
District Accountability Committee– Canyon Creek Elementary 6 pm-8 pm
Thursday February 13th– Special Education Advisory Meeting at Freemont Building 9:30 am– 11:30 am and
PTCO meeting 6 pm

Monday and Tuesday February 17th and 18th– NO SCHOOL
Week of February 17th-21st– Random Act of Kindness Week and Kindergarten Round UP
Wednesday February 21st– Sagebrush School Dance in the gym at 6 pm
Saturday February 29th– Cherry Creek Job Fair at the Freemont Building– 8 am– 2 pm and
Robocon– A Cherry Creek Robotics Competition at West Middle School– 9 am—3 pm

Look For conference information coming soon
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 67 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?

Enjoy this short video about the story behind the story of Because. Then get ready to read!

Parents are also encouraged to read with their children after school and have fun dinner table-discussions about the books each family member is reading.

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A message from Aurora Mental Health

Hi, I am Kassia McCall a school based therapist at Aurora Mental Health. School based services are very similar to outpatient, but instead of taking your kid to another building I see them in the school. I typically work with kids that need more support than what the school’s mental health team can provide or kids who need additional support. An overview of the types of kids that would be a good fit for school based therapy would be kids that need more skill building (social and coping skills), kids who have experienced any trauma or show trauma behaviors, processing a parent’s divorce/separation, and kids who struggle with controlling anger. I also work with kids with ADHD behaviors, and have access to a medication provider and can help kids get medication if they are in need of it. I can provide weekly or bi weekly therapy to kids along with groups and family therapy based on the kid’s needs. I am happy to talk if you think you have a kid who would benefit from my services. Kids must have Medicaid or CHP+ insurance in order for me to meet with them individually. If you are interested you can contact me via email at kassi-amccall@aumhc.org, call me directly at 970-364-0201 or leave a voicemail at my voicemail number (303)617-2604.

I look forward to hearing from you!

Kassia McCall, MSW
School Based Therapist
Mapping Our Future is a new digital tool to share information about our community’s schools: their diversity, their successes and how your tax dollars are being spent to prepare the next generation of leaders. This interactive map is part of the Cherry Creek School District’s commitment to transparency and keeping our community informed.

Here are ways you can check out our digital interactive map highlighting 67 schools with information, videos and more.

Visit [www.cherrycreekschools.org/MappingOurFuture](http://www.cherrycreekschools.org/MappingOurFuture) and start exploring!

Check us out on Twitter @CCSDK12’s and view our interactive map highlighting 67 schools with videos, bond project information, key successes and more. #CCSDFutureForward#Transparency

Facebook or Instagram

#CCSDFutureForward#CCSDK12
IN THE ART ROOM

Sagebrush artists have been hard at work since the first of the year. We now have all our centers open in our art studio: drawing, collage, clay, building, and painting. In January, the fiber center was opened where 3rd grade through 5th grade students are learning to make simple stitches, and weave using fabric and yarn. Primary students continue to learn skills like drawing big and filling up space using many forms of media. They are also experimenting with ceramic clay.

I want to send out a big thank you to all those who continue to send in materials for students for building. This is the most popular center, and kids love using their imagination and creativity with recycled materials. If your child brings home a building creation, ask them what the story is behind it. They will always have one involving great detail.

Our second “have to” project is quickly approaching. This will involve a piece that is 3 dimensional. This project will need to possess the “WOW” factor. The WOW factor is intended to “wow” the observer, using several different forms of media. Keeping this in mind will push students to decide whether or not their work is complete. On completion, many of these pieces we will display around the school for all to see.

Trash to Treasures!

Students at Sagebrush are constantly creating art. As part of the process, some students take old cardboard and turn it into sculptures and other treasures. Art is always looking for lightweight cardboard for students use (cereal boxes, toilet paper tubes, paper towel tubes, cracker boxes, etc.) PLEASE DO NOT SEND SHIPPING BOXES. The lighter weight cardboard is much easier for students to cut out. Thank you

FROM THE CLINIC

The clinic is in need of clothing (particularly sizes 4-6) for students who have accidents or injuries during the school day. If you have clothes that your child has outgrown (specifically sizes 4-6) please consider donating them to the Sagebrush clinic. If your child has worn clothes home from the Sagebrush clinic, please wash and return them to the nurse at your earliest convenience. Thank you!

5th Grade Yearbook Dedication

Price: $10

1. Please follow all rules and guidelines
2. Dedications are to be 50 words or less
3. Please email all dedications and photo to Sagebrushyearbook@gmail.com
   Please include:
   A. Students name
   B. Parents name
   C. A good phone number
4. Please turn in money in an envelope to the main office with student and parent’s name or purchase online (Look for upcoming flyers in Thursday folder with website).
5. All dedications are due no later than March 4, 2020
CHERRY CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT
CAREER FAIR
Saturday, February 29, 2020

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

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/

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We offer a non-competitive youth program to introduce running to young athletes in a safe and fun environment. The focus is on self-improvement, being an encouraging teammate, and making new friends. The Spring Track Series is a fun-based program led by Shannon Hea and is open to students in kindergarten through 5th grade. A (MAROON) team shirt ($15) is required for all runners and is good for both the fall and spring seasons. So, there is no need to buy one if you have one and it still fits.

First Practice: Monday, March 30th
Practice Times: 2:45 pm - 3:30 pm
Practice Days: Mondays and Fridays- March 30th, April 3rd, April 13th, April 17th, April 27th, May 4th, May 11th
Parent Meeting: Thursday, February 20th at 3pm in the Library
Races are held on Wednesday nights at Falcon Creek Middle School at 6:00 pm on April 22nd, April 29th and May 6th
Meet #1- All runners will run the 50m dash, followed by their choice of a 400m or 800m race.
Meet #2- All runners will run the 100m dash, followed by their choice of a 400m or 800m race.
Meet #3- Runners start with their choice of a mile or 400m race, followed by all runners doing the 200m dash.

At the races, runners receive a race tag with their number, ribbons, a series medal at the final race, and refreshments. Race results are posted on the Landsharks website.

I look forward to working with your athletes! Please consider volunteering to help coach or work at our race site. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer (no experience necessary) please let me know.

Coach: Shannon Hea Email: shea@cherrycreekschools.org

Registration opens February 23, 2020
Runners must be registered prior to their first practice.
Please register online at www.Landsharksrunningclub.com

$60 registration fee until April 5th then a $10/runner additional fee applies
REGISTRATION REDUCTION APPLICATIONS available online
(for those who financially qualify) from February 23rd through March 4th

All Sagebrush families to receive a $20 off for the Fall XC season.
Please use coupon code SagebrushDiscount at checkout.
We have been lucky enough to partner with the non-profit organization Colorado Feeding Kids, which is a local Colorado non-profit with the mission to significantly reduce the number of hungry children in the state. With this partnership, that began at the beginning of 2020, we have the ability to send home food boxes every Friday of the month for up to 10 children. If you feel that your family would benefit from a food box from Colorado Feeding Kids, please contact Shannon Hea, School Social Worker, at my confidential voicemail of 720-886-8313, or at my confidential email Shea@cherrycreekschools.org. We would love to start sending home food boxes as soon as possible, so please contact me with this information no later than February 19th, 2020. We are very grateful to have this resource for our community, and please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions or requests. For more information regarding Colorado Feeding Kids, please visit their website at cofeedingkids.org.
Calling all Random Acts of Kindness Activists!

Are you ready for Random Acts of Kindness Week? No Place for Hate will be sponsoring Random Acts of Kindness week, where we will be spreading kindness and community throughout the whole school! There will be a school wide kindness challenge, kindness classroom activities, and awesome kindness spirit days the week of February 24th!

Monday, February 24th, the theme of the day is **superheroes stand up to teasing**, so please wear your favorite superhero costumes and gear!

Tuesday, February 25th, the theme of the day is **mix it up and meet someone new**, Wear your crazy clothes and mis-matched outfits, and sit with someone new at lunch!

Wednesday, February 26th, the theme of the day is **teaming up against bullying**, so please wear sports jerseys and athletic gear!

Thursday, February 27th, the theme is **put a cap on unkindness**, so please wear your favorite hat or awesome headwear!

On Friday, February 28th, the theme is **Sagebrush spirit is always kind!** so please wear your Sagebrush spirit gear to end the week on a great note!

We look forward to spreading kindness and good feelings throughout the school with you, and we hope you all participate!
SOME THINGS WERE MEANT TO BE *shared*

Enjoy JonnyPops as a fruit side option with your meal this Valentine’s Day!

February 14, 2020
FEBRUARY PTCO EVENTS

Skate City
Feb. 11
3:30-5:30
Buses leave at 3pm and arrive at school by 6pm
Admission $5
Skate rental $3
**If riding the bus permission slip and admission money MUST be turned in by Feb. 7

Rubio’s
Feb. 12
5:00-8:30pm
Quincy & Buckley location
*Mention Sagebrush and a % will be donated back to the school.

PTCO
Feb. 13
6:30-8:00pm
PTCO MEETING
Guest Speaker: Aurora Schools Credit Union
Complimentary pizza for all and childcare available!
Please email to RSVP

Winter Dance!
Feb. 21
6:00-8:00pm
$4 Admission for kids 3+
Dinner, DJ Deavenport, Dancing, Silent Auction,
Complimentary Hot Chocolate & Coffee Bar
Skip the line & pre-order tickets @ SagebrushPTCO.org

SAGEBRUSHPTCO@GMAIL.COM/ SAGEBRUSHPTCO.ORG
Sagebrush Elementary
Tuesday, February 11th
3:30-5:30pm
Admission $5.00
(skate rental $3.00)

Catch the Skate City Fun Bus & get a free ride to & from your school party. The bus will pick up students at your school at 2:50pm & take everybody back to the school for parent pick-up after the event by 6pm!

Students MUST be picked up at front entrance. No students will be released to walk home in the dark.

All permission slips and attached money MUST be turned in to the main office by February 7th. Cash or check made out to "Sagebrush Elementary PTCO"

Any questions, please contact Sagebrush PTCO @ sagebrushptco@gmail.com or 720-925-7420

Receive a FREE $10 GAME CARD with paid admission!

AURORA
15100 E. Girard Ave.
303-690-1444
www.skatecitycolorado.com
Capture Your Memories in This Year’s Sagebrush Elementary Yearbook

Customize Your 2 Free Pages

- Add photos from your computer, Facebook, Instagram, Google Drive & more.
- Answer fun Memory Questions to help remember the year.
- The 2 Custom Pages are FREE and are printed ONLY in your book. Want more pages? Each additional 2 pages is just $0.99.

To Purchase & Customize Your Yearbook

Must be a parent or student 13 years or older.

1. Go to www.treering.com/validate
2. Enter your school’s passcode: 1015590686382994

Regular Price: $17.49
*Does not include sales tax, if applicable
Deadline: Mar 30
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.
**CHERRY CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Second Community Night with the Colorado Avalanche

**WASHINGTON CAPITALS VS. COLORADO AVALANCHE**

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH | 7:00 PM | PEPSI CENTER**

**FIND TICKETS**
Avalanche.TeamKSE.com/CCSD_213/

**USE PROMO CODE:** AVSCHERRYCREEK2

Each ticket includes a $5 donation to Cherry Creek Schools Foundation!

For questions, please contact Erin Croce with the Colorado Avalanche at 303.405.6138 or Erin.Croce@TeamKSE.com

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**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**

Price 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**

Coloardo 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

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**Join us at the**

**COLFAX 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 Mile, Relay, or run/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!

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**RACE for EDUCATION!**
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!

Upcoming Events - Mark Your Calendar!

- **March 3rd (AM) & 10th (PM)**, Money Doesn’t Grow on Trees! Creating Financially Responsible Kids with Craig Kaley, founder of Moneyletics
- **April 7th (AM) & 14th (PM)**, Parenting by Temperament: Discovering What Makes Your Kid Tick with Wendy Gossett, author, founder of PeopleWorks Co
- **Annual Brunch, April 28th** (AM) The Minds of Boys and Girls; (PM) Saving Our Sons with Dr. Michael Gurian, NYT best-selling author, gender expert, brain researcher, Co-founder of the Gurian Institute

Visit [www.PINccsd.org](http://www.PINccsd.org) for Podcasts and Meeting Highlights
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.
### Registration Requirements

1. **Birth Certificate**
2. **Immunization Records**
3. **Proof of Residency**
4. **Photo ID of Parent**
5. **Registration Forms**
6. **Guardian Information**

### District Calendar

- **February 28**
- **February 24**
- **February 21**
- **February 18**
- **February 14**
- **February 10**
- **February 7**

### Contact Information

- East: 541 S. Rivera Way, Centennial (Pricedale St. & S. Rivera Way), 720-886-7480
- West: 910 E. Union Ave, Greewood Village (Pricedale St. & E. Union Ave), 720-554-4550

### District Administration Office Hours

- Monday - Friday: 7:30 AM - 4:00 PM

### Non-Resident Application

Non-Resident applications will be available online April 1, 2020

Students currently attending a CCSD preschool do NOT need to re-register for Kindergarten.

### To Register for Kindergarten

Register your child for Kindergarten for the 2020 - 2021 School Year.