August 29, 2019

Dear Summit Families,

Welcome to the 2019-2020 school year! I am delighted that your children are here and ready to learn. It has been so nice to see and visit with families over the last few weeks! I’d also like to thank everyone for helping to make our dismissal process run as smoothly and quickly as possible. The mirror name plates make it so easy to see who you are picking up and we are able to quickly and safely get them to your car. So once again, THANK YOU!

We expect our students to care about others, work hard, and have fun at school. Childhood is for remembering; therefore, we want to make the six plus hours a day your children are at school as positive and memorable as possible. We want them to feel proud of their accomplishments and be willing to take risks when things get hard. As you read this, you may be thinking we want the same things you want for your children. And that is how it should be because together, parents/guardians, students, and staff make for a strong Summit Family.

A few reminders to start off the year:
Students should arrive at school no earlier than 7:45 am, unless they will be eating breakfast. In which case, students may arrive at 7:30 am and enter through the cafeteria door on the west side of the building.

Please be mindful of parking lot safety. During drop off and pick up time be on the lookout for small children and mindful of our crosswalks. Remember that you must remain in your vehicle at all times if you are parked along the red curb.

There are many opportunities to get involved and we welcome the presence of parents, relatives, and community members in our building. Please consider joining one of our community groups: Parent Teacher Community Organization (PTCO), Partnerships for Academically Successful Students (PASS), or Student Accountability Committee (SAC).

We look forward to a great year!

Warmly,

Rachel Rubio
Principal
Looking Ahead

September 2  Labor Day, No school
September 4  Hearing Screening for Preschool through 5th Grade
September 5  Vision Screening for Kindergarten through 5th Grade
September 6  Picture day
September 9  Chipotle
September 10  PTCO meeting 3:00 p.m.
September 13  Run-4-Funds day
October 10  Picture retake day
October 14 - 18  Fall break week, No school
October 21 - 25  Red Ribbon week/Spirit week
October 25  Trunk or Treat
October 30  Cardboard Challenge at Smoky Hill High School
November 3  Daylight Saving Time ends, set clocks back one hour

Cherry Creek Schools Annual Veterans and Active Military Appreciation Football Game!

Smoky Hill  ~  Rangeview
★ Saturday, September 7– Kickoff at 6:00 p.m. at Legacy Stadium  26101 E. Arapahoe Rd.  Aurora 80016
★ Dinner at 4:00 p.m. for veterans, active military members and their families at Cherokee Trail H.S. cafeteria  25901 E. Arapahoe Rd.

Does My Child Need Help?

First Steps:
Information, Resources and Support for Parents of Children and Teens

Dedicated to Excellence Cherry Creek Schools

Booklets available in the office at no charge — Together We Can Help
School Visitors

**All Visitors to Summit or to Our Playground Must Check In** at the front office, provide a picture ID, and receive a visitor sticker for each and every visit. Even though the front office knows who you are, there may be staff in the building who do not know you. It is important that you sign in, provide complete information regarding what area of the building you are visiting, and sign out upon departure. Regarding classroom visits, please contact the respective classroom teacher beforehand to arrange for your planned visit.

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**New! Automated Attendance Call & Message**

Please call the **Attendance Line** if your child is going to be late or absent.

Effective the beginning of the 2019 - 2020 school year, the district will be sending out an **Automated Attendance Call** to all Cherry Creek Elementary School families as they have been for all Middle and High Schools in the past years. This means you will need to call the **attendance line** by **8:20 AM** to avoid receiving this phone call.

♥ **Summit Attendance Line 720-886-6495**

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**Summit Dismissal Process 2019-2020**

♥ Car rider (youngest and only) students were sent home with a **mirror decal** including their name and grade. If you are picking up your child, please hang the mirror decal on your mirror so that it is easy for us to see who is picking up. Each student will line up by their colored grade cone. Your cooperation will help us get your child/children to you in a timely manner.

♥ Each student will have a **tag attached to their backpack** that will indicate how they will be getting home: **Car Pickup, Bus, Before & After, or Walking Home**. Thanks for your partnership in helping us get all our students to the right place and making our dismissal more efficient!

♥ **If you park in the lot**, please remember that your children will **not** be allowed to walk to your car by themselves – you must come to the sidewalk to pick them up.

Please do **not** pull into the bus loop to drop-off or pick-up your child. The bus lane is reserved for buses and daycare vehicles only.

Remember to please **drive slowly**, children can be present at any time.

Remember, these policies are in effect for the safety of your children. We thank every one of you for your cooperation in this matter.

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★ Parents, if you have planned a **playdate after school** with another family, you are required to call the office **by 2:00** (or have your child bring a signed permission note) and notify the school that your child’s dismissal will change. If the office is not informed of the change in dismissal, your child will be sent home via their regular dismissal process.

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**Cherry Creek Early Childhood Education**

**Foundations of Excellence**

**Colorado Preschool Program (ECE)**

Children at risk may qualify for the state funded *(free)* CPP program. These are some of the criteria used to determine eligibility:

- Concerns regarding a child’s development, not eligible for Special Education
- English language learner
- Low income
- Teen parent
- Homeless
- Foster status
- Emotional/Behavioral issues
- Parents have not completed high school or obtained GED

24 Locations throughout the Cherry Creek School district. Only district residents may apply for this program.

For information to register, use this link now: [http://earlychildhood.cherrycreekschools.org](http://earlychildhood.cherrycreekschools.org) 720 554-4000
Cherry Creek Food Services use a PIN number system for students (and families) to keep track of their lunch/breakfast accounts online in the cafeteria. Thank you for encouraging your children to memorize and practice at home their 6-digit PIN number. Practicing on a paper keypad helps reinforce their finger placement number memory. This is important for all students and helpful for our new students, and especially for the young 5, 6, 7-year-olds as they learn their daily lunch routine at school in August and September.

Online Meal Pay is also available to families for the ease of making food payments. However, if you wish to send payment to school with your child, please make sure that his or her LAST and First Name is included with the cash or check, so that the correct student’s account is credited.

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Free and Reduced-Price Meal Applications - The 2019-2020 application is available online all school year. A new application is required for each school year. To complete the online application, please complete the following steps:

1. Go to www.cherrycreekschools.org
2. Homepage - click on ‘Programs and Services’
3. Choose Food and Nutrition
4. Click on Free & Reduced Meals
5. Complete Meal Application

Paper applications are also available at our Summit front hall brochure rack. Please turn in your completed form to the cafeteria staff. If you have questions about this application, please call Roxanna Hernandez at 720-886-7172.

2019-2020 Precios De Las Comidas Escolares

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Aplicaciones De Comida Gratis O A PrecioReducido - La aplicación de comidas gratis o a precio reducido de 2019-2020 se puede completar en línea o por solicitud en papel a partir del 1 de julio de 2019. La solicitud está disponible en inglés y español. Una nueva solicitud debe ser completada cada año escolar. Para completar la solicitud en línea, complete los siguientes pasos:

1. Visite www.cherrycreekschools.org
2. ‘Programas y Servicios’
3. Elija Alimentos y Nutrición
4. Comidas gratis o a precio reducido
5. Complete la solicitud de comida

Se puede obtener una solicitud en cualquier escuela de Cherry Creek o en Centro de Nutrición Estudiantil, 14270 E. Briarwood Avenue, Centennial 80112. Si tiene preguntas sobre beneficios de comida, por favor llame a Roxanna Hernandez 720-886-7172.
Hi Summit Parents and Families. I am Jackie Rauch, the nurse at Summit. I have been a nurse for 22 years and this is my 6th year at Summit. I am in the clinic every day from 7:30am to 3:30pm. Come see me or call me any time with questions or health concerns about your children. The more I know about your child’s health the better able I am to support them in getting the best education they can.

~ Some Important Reminders ~
I am a nurse and in the state of Colorado I can only give medication under the direction of a doctor.

**Medications I can give with online parent permission:**

- Acetaminophen (Tylenol)
- Ibuprofen (Advil)
- Diphenhydramine (Benadryl)

**Skin creams I can use with parent permission:**

- Bacitracin Antibiotic Cream
- Anti-Itch Cream

I can also use Saline Eye Wash with parent permission to wash out eyes.

If your child has a cough or cold, I can give guaifenesin or dextromethorphan cough medicine with parent permission. This medication needs to be supplied by the parent. Please do not send formulas that contain medications other than guaifenesin or dextromethorphan (multi-symptom medication).

- Cough Drops I can no longer give cough drops. Please do not send them to school with your student. Cough drops are a choking hazard and should not be used for children.

- If your child needs to take any other prescription or over the counter medication at school, a permission form needs to be filled out by you AND your child’s doctor. You can get this form from me at the clinic or on the Summit Elementary website under Nurse’s Notes, Permission to give Prescription Homeopathic med Form. By Colorado law, I cannot give medication to your child without having this form filled out. Over the counter
medication must be in original packaging and prescription medication must be in a pharmacy-labeled container.

- Please do not send your child to school if they are sick. Fever over 100, vomiting, and diarrhea are always reasons to keep your child at home. A child with fever, vomiting, and diarrhea MUST stay home for at least 24 hours after the last unmedicated fever, or episode of vomiting or diarrhea. Learning is hard for a child that does not feel well, and it is very important not to spread illness in school. As always, you can call me in the clinic or stop by with concerns. If your child visits the doctor and is told that they have an infection or illness, please let me know by phone or email. I keep track of the number of students with infections like influenza and strep throat so we can stop the spread of those in our classrooms.

Important Dates:
- September 4 – Hearing Screening for Preschool through Fifth Grade
- September 5 – Vision Screening for Kindergarten through Fifth Grade
- February 4 – Vision Screening for Preschool

Thank you and I look forward to getting to know your family this year.

~ Jackie Rauch, BSN, RN, NCSN  720-886-6409  Jrauch2@cherrycreekschools.org

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Attendance & Absences

- Welcome back. Students should arrive at the Summit front door no earlier than 7:45 to give them time to reach their classrooms, hang up jackets, retrieve homework, stow backpacks, greet friends and be in their seats by 7:59. To begin the day promptly, class attendance is taken at 8:00. The school day concludes at 2:45.
- Absences, late arrivals (plus family travels) during school days must be reported to our (24-hour open) attendance line 720.886.6495 by 8:20 a.m. Cherry Creek District is now using an Automated Attendance Call system for all elementary schools, when a parental notice is not made to the attendance line.

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Battle of the Books Literacy Club

Our school is offering the Battle of Books Club once again for 4th and 5th Grade students. The Battle of the Books Literacy Club is designed to encourage elementary students to:

- Read quality literature.
- Read over the summer months and in their leisure time during the school year.
- Read for information as well as pleasure.

Students will participate in after-school book studies/book club sessions on Tuesdays from 2:45 - 3:30. Mrs. Fossen and Mrs. Rose will supervise these book sessions.Interested students are to complete and return their permission slips to Mrs. Rose or Mrs. Fossen by Thursday September 5th. This club is open to the first 20 students who bring back their permission form. The book club will meet on the following Tuesdays from 2:45 to 3:30 in Mrs. Rose’s classroom:

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The Book Exchange

is located in the office waiting, bring a book and take a book to share!
**Parent Information Network (PIN)**

PIN’s mission is to provide informative local and national speakers on topics relevant to current parenting and youth-related issues and to provide a forum for Cherry Creek parents to connect and create a caring community. You are invited.

Mark your calendars; some upcoming meeting dates are:

- **September 3rd 9:15 am** and **September 10th 6:30 pm**
  **From Couch Potato to Elite Athlete: Keys to Success in Youth Sports & Fitness Participation**
  By Dr. Brooke Pengel, Health One

- **October 1st 9:15 am** and **October 8th 6:30 pm**
  **Making Relationships Work! Skills for Family, Friends & Romantic Attachments**
  By Joneen Mackenzie, RN, founder & president of The Center for Relationship Education

- **November 5th 9:15 am** and **November 12th 6:30 pm**
  **The Hardest Workers: Identifying Learning Difficulties, Creating Solutions, Improving Results**
  By Kelly Hoover, Ascend Learning Center

*Unless otherwise specified, meetings will take place at: 14603 E. Fremont Ave., Centennial 80112 (South of Arapahoe Rd, off Jordan Rd.)*

Speaker updates are posted monthly at: [http://www.pinccsd.org](http://www.pinccsd.org).

Parents, school administrators and community members are welcome and encouraged to attend PIN’s presentations. Presentations are Free. No need to RSVP — Just come to the morning or the evening session.

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**7th Annual CARDBOARD CHALLENGE**

**Wednesday, October 30, 2019**

Smoky Hill High School

4:30 to 7:00 p.m.

The Cardboard Challenge is a celebration of child creativity and the role communities can play in fostering it, inspired by the short film, "Caine’s Arcade."

Children are challenged to create and build using cardboard, recycled materials and their imagination. This provides our students a unique opportunity outside of the classroom to innovate, create and shine!

**Participate in this year’s challenge — Students, make time to plan and start your building project soon in September, so that you can present your ideas and your creativity on the 30th of October.**


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**It is not too early to Capture Your Memories in This Year’s Summit Elementary Yearbook**

**15% off purchase by September 30**

**Customize Two Free Pages for your book**

- Add photos from your computer, Facebook, Instagram, Google Drive and 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. Regular Price is $18.00

**To Purchase and Customize Your Yearbook**

1. Must be a parent or student 13 years or older
2. Go to [www.treering.com/validate](http://www.treering.com/validate)
3. Enter your school’s passcode: 1015023781601516
4. Sale Price - Make your order by Monday September 30th, and you will also get 15% off
From Our Parent Teacher Community Organization

**PTCO Meeting:** Sept. 10, 3:00 p.m. meeting, Library ~ *You are invited*

**Shopping for Summit:**
- **Box Tops** - Clip Box Tops and turn them in! Every Box Top earns our school 10¢.
- **King Soopers Cards** - Purchase a reloadable gift card from PTCO for $2.50. Every reload earns our school 4%.
- **Amazon Smile** - Shop at [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com) just like you would on Amazon. It is your same account/information. Then select *Summit Elementary PTO* to support our school. Thank you!

**PTCO Contact Information:**
- **Emails**  SummitElementaryPTCO@gmail.com ; summitptcotreasure@gmail.com
- **Facebook**  [www.facebook.com/SummitElemPTCO](http://www.facebook.com/SummitElemPTCO)
- **Text Reminders**  @SummitPTCO to 81010

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**Before and After School Program**

- Quality affordable childcare.
- With many interesting activities ~
  besides homework assistance, science, technology, physical activity, crafts, games, messy play, music, dramatic play, engineering, community service, health and nutrition and etc.
- Online flexible registration. For more information, please call 720-886-6467 today or go to link: [https://www.cherrycreekschools.org/site/Default.aspx?PageID=2640](https://www.cherrycreekschools.org/site/Default.aspx?PageID=2640)

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**Computer Links**

- Free & Reduced-Price Meal Application / Online Meal Pay / Menus: [www.cherrycreekschools.org](http://www.cherrycreekschools.org)
- Parent Portal: [https://my.cherrycreekschools.org](https://my.cherrycreekschools.org)
- Summit Elementary website: [http://summit.cherrycreekschools.org](http://summit.cherrycreekschools.org)
- CCSD homepage: [www.cherrycreekschools.org](http://www.cherrycreekschools.org)
- Summit in Facebook®: [https://www.facebook.com/SummitElemPTCO](https://www.facebook.com/SummitElemPTCO)

Hard copy Echo will be posted on the Summit website as well, for ease of access to the computer links herein.