

THE HERD HIGHLIGHTS

August 26, 2021



A Note from the Principal

It has been a wonderful start to the school year and students and staff have been rock stars wearing their masks. You may be wondering about certain covid protocols that were present last year and if they are back. I will do my best to outline our protocols below. Never hesitate to reach out if you are unsure.

- Masks are mandatory for all students and adults inside the building. If you are outside, masks are highly recommended.
- We are still social distancing as much as possible – 3 feet – in the building while in masks.
- Drinking fountains are open, however, we also have two water bottle fillers with cold water! Please pack a water bottle for your student.
- There are not assigned doors, however, we have labeled each outside door with grade levels to make it quicker to get to students' classroom for arrival and dismissal.
- We are still using the following mitigation strategies: better ventilation, handwashing before lunch and after recesses (and bathroom!), high touch sanitizing each night.

Thank you for all you do for our wonderful students,

Maira Kennedy

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**Buffalo Trail
Elementary**

We Care We Respect We Trust



*Together we
Explore, wonder
And challenge our
Minds*

Meet our Campus Administrator! Ms. Kelly Bruetsch

I am so excited to be part of Buffalo Trail this year! After 22 years in the classroom teaching 5th and 6th grades both in Douglas County and here in Cherry Creek, I have moved into the role of Campus Administrator. It is my honor to be a part of your child's learning journey, and will support in any way I can. It has been such a joy getting into classrooms this week to meet all the wonderful members of our herd, and to share in the excitement of back to school! I hope to see many of you at different events throughout the year so I can connect with you in person. Please feel free to reach out any time. kbruetsch@cherrycreekschools.org



<i>Bell Schedule</i>	
Morning (M-T-W-TH-F)	First bell: 7:50 AM Tardy bell: 8:00
Afternoon (M-T-TH-F)	2:45
Afternoon (W)	1:45

Safety Concerns

Please do not park in labeled non-parking areas and crosswalks!

You may have noticed we have been putting cones in these areas. We are working on a more permanent location.



Positive Behavior Intervention Supports: PBIS

In August and September, Buffalo Trail students will be learning what it means to be compassionate. Students will be reading books in their classrooms during morning meeting about what being a compassionate person looks like, sounds like, and feels like. At home, talk with your student and give them ideas of how they can be compassionate towards their family members, friends, and neighbors. Students who are modeling compassion throughout our school will receive a \$5 Golden Buffalo Buck. At the end of September, two students from each class will receive a "Golden Buffalo Leading the Herd Award" for "be compassionate".

"True compassion means not only feeling another's pain, but also being moved to help relieve it." -Daniel Goleman

We need Para Educators and Crossing Guards!

Reach out to Kelly Bruetsch at kbruetsch@cherrycreekschools.org if interested!

CCSD Para Educator Job Fair - Saturday, August 28, 2021

Do you have a passion for working with children? Do you enjoy being a valued member of a team? Do you have the ability to relate positively to children? Are you kind and selfless? Do you have a heart of gold? If you answered yes to any of these questions then The Cherry Creek School District might have a job for you.

*Consider interviewing for a position on our team as a
Special Education Para Educator.*

When: August 28, 2021

Time: Appointments 8:00am-12:00pm Sign Up Here:

<https://forms.gle/ptxPS6oXecBa7Ztz8>

Where: Student Achievement Resource Center (SARC)

14188 East Briarwood Avenue

Centennial, CO 80112

If you are hired as a Special Education Para Educator, you will work as part of a team of educators supporting students with special education needs. You will make a difference in the lives of our students by helping to implement their individual plans. We have positions available in all of our programs including autism classrooms, behavior development classrooms, severe emotional needs classrooms, and independent learning classrooms (ILC). We have positions available at all levels, high school, middle school, elementary school, and preschool. We have positions available at locations all across our district.

Job Description: (Classified-Para Educator-Severe Needs):

<https://applyto.cherrycreekschools.org/JobDescriptions/Jobpost.exe?Action=page1&ini=cherrycreek&Type=Master>

Starting Wage: \$15.75/hour

Daily Hours: 7 hours/day, start and end times depend on school

Calendar: Follows the CCSD school calendar.

Basic Qualifications: High School diploma or equivalent, no experience required

Benefits Package: <https://www.cherrycreekschools.org/domain/2323>

If you would like to explore further the idea of Joining our team as a Special Education Para then follow these steps:

Step 1) Complete an application with the Cherry Creek School District here:

<https://applyto.cherrycreekschools.org/workspace/>

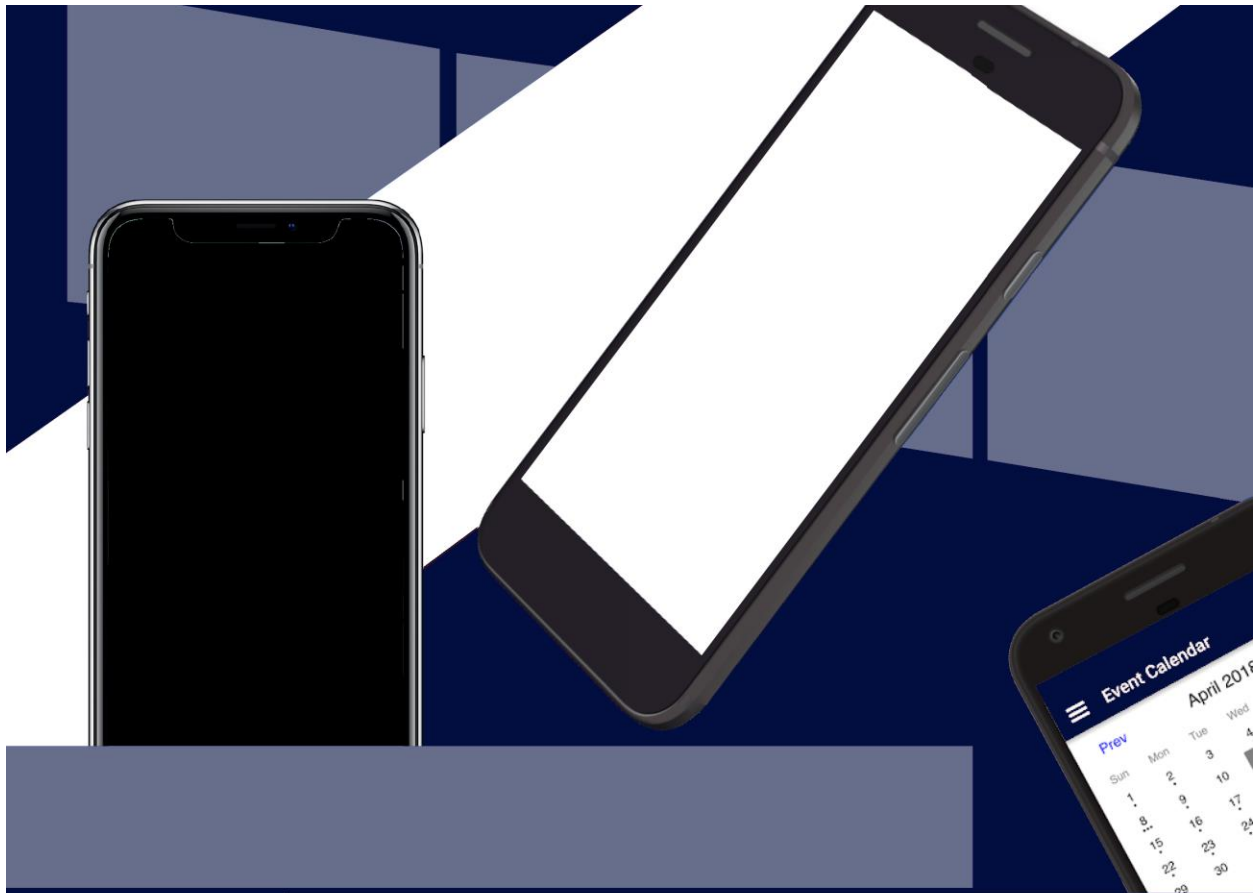
Step 2) Sign up for an interview here. We look forward to meeting with you.:

<https://forms.gle/ptxPS6oXecBa7Ztz8>

Notes:

- When you sign up for an interview there will be a place to provide 3 references with their email addresses. If we offer you a position then providing this correct information now, will significantly speed up the hiring process.
- When you come to the interview consider bringing a US passport or Driver's license and social security card. If we offer you a position this will significantly speed up the hiring process.

Upcoming Events	
<i>What</i>	<i>When</i>
PTCO Fall Event	August 27, 6:00-8:00 PM This event is outside so masks are highly recommended. If you need to enter the building to use the restroom, you must be wearing a mask.
Getting to Know You Meetings	Week of August 30
Field Day	September 1 8:10-10:00 4th and 5th Grade Field Day Lunch 4th 12:30-1:05 Lunch 5th 1:00-1:35 9:50-11:35 1st and 3rd Grade Field Day Lunch 1st 12:00-12:35 Lunch 3rd 11:30-12:05 11:45- 1:30 K and 2nd Grade Field Day Lunch K 10:30-11:05 Lunch 2nd 11:00-11:35 1:45 End of School Day
Labor Day-NO SCHOOL	September 6
Fall Portrait Day	Varies
PTCO/Accountability Meeting	September 22, 6:00-8:00 PM
Fun Run	September 24 8:15 AM – 2 nd & 5 th 9:25 AM - K & 3 rd 1:20 AM – 1 st & 4 th



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