WELCOME TO FOX RIDGE

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year at Fox Ridge Middle School. This Student Handbook is a reference you utilize throughout the year. As a student at this school, you are expected to know and understand the information included in this handbook and to follow the established expectations.

VISION AND VALUES

Our vision is ... A caring community that loves to learn, loves to teach, and continues to grow.

Our values are to...

- > Engage students in challenging, relevant learning experiences to provide opportunities for personal growth.
- > Ensure a physically and emotionally safe environment.
- Establish positive, trusting relationships through kindness, respect, patience, and collaboration.

The pillars that govern all of our interactions, philosophies and behaviors are:

- > Respect
- Integrity
- > Safety
- Excellence

HONOR CODE

The Honor Code of Fox Ridge Middle School is founded on the RISE pillar of Integrity. In an attempt to encourage students to demonstrate integrity, please note the following examples:

Examples of doing your work in an appropriate manner:

- Turning in work done alone with the help of teachers.
- Submitting one assignment for a group of students if group work was permitted.
- Offering, taking suggestions or general help on an assignment, unless otherwise instructed not to do so.

Examples of violations of the Honor Code:

- Looking for answers during quizzes, tests, or assessments, or talking to another student during a test.
- Giving information to another student on a test or quiz or copying another person's work.
- Several people writing one assignment and turning in multiple copies without teachers' permission/direction.
- Using hidden information during a test or quiz.
- Exchanging answers with someone, when it is stated that an individual effort is expected.

• Forging notes, permission slips or signatures.

IMPORTANT CONTACTS



 Main Office
 720-886-4400

 Attendance Office
 720-886-4515

 Counseling
 720-886-4441

 Deans
 720-885-4457

 Clinic / Nurse
 720-886-4429

 Transportation
 720-886-4111

SCHOOL DAY

Our school day begins at 8:50 a.m. and ends at 3:45 p.m. **Students are allowed to enter the building at 8:40 a.m. to prepare for their day. If students are eating breakfast, they may enter at 8:30.** Students may stay after school on Monday - Thursday to participate in sports, activities, or receive academic support. Students staying after school are expected to be in a classroom, the library or designated area by 3:50 p.m.

My Cherry Creek: http://my.cherrycreekschools.org is the portal that can be accessed by both parents and students through your individual parent or student login. Please be sure that you are able to access your account.

Schoology: This site is an extension of the classroom. You can access updated class calendars, course information, materials needed, and additional resources.

PowerSchool: This site is used to maintain student grades and attendance. Teachers will update grades weekly. Larger assignments may take several days to complete grading before grades are entered in PowerSchool.

ACADEMIC SUPPORT

Academic support is available for all students within Fox Ridge Middle School. Teachers provide support during specified times. These times may include before and after school, or during lunch. If a student needs additional help with understanding the lesson, is falling behind, or needs to make up a test they should talk with the teacher and set up a designated time.

ADVISORY

Advisory time will be 14 minutes with a focus on goal setting, grade checks/analysis, and silent reading.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

All information, such as the school calendar, events, and various other announcements will be posted on our school website: http://cherrycreekschools/foxridge.org. Additionally, announcements will be made during the school day and shown on monitors placed throughout the building.

CLASS SCHEDULES

Students will be enrolled in four core classes: Language Arts, Math, Science, and Social Studies. Students will also take two elective classes. Electives include, but are not limited to, world languages, performing and fine arts, technology, health, creative writing, engineering or physical education. Your online course guide contains details about the academic program.

> SCHEDULE REPAIRS

Schedule repairs are made to support the academic needs of students and only when space in a class permits. Schedules are not changed because of friends or personal preference. Schedule Repair request forms are available through counseling. Elective schedule repairs will only be made if a student did not receive one of the choices they selected during the registration process. Placement questions must be referred to the correct department coordinator. If changes are to occur, a conversation must take place with the teacher, the counselor, and the parent, and must happen within the first two weeks of the semester.

FRMS CELL PHONE POLICY

Teaching students to use technology safely and appropriately continues to be part of everyday learning; however, cell phones have proven to be a distraction in the classroom and detrimental to the learning environment. We are actively working to maintain the physical and mental health of our students, which has led to the re-evaluation of our Cell Phone Agreement. An Agreement has been created with the consideration of students, staff, and parents and with student learning at the forefront. Given current research and data, we believe that having phones left at home or turned OFF and stored is best practice.

That being said, we also realize that our parents feel it is important for students to have access to their phones each day. Students may freely use/access their phones before school, during lunch, and after school. Our students are assigned a computer each year, 1:1 technology; therefore, there is little need for additional personal devices.

Fox Ridge Middle School recognizes the importance of communication and collaboration, and provides devices for students to be productive in the classroom. To keep the focus on academics and to reduce unnecessary distractions, the school will be enforcing the following:

- Cell phones and all mobile devices shall be turned off or in silent mode when entering the school building.
- Cell phones and other mobile devices are not to be used in classrooms, the library, common areas, hallways, or restrooms.
- Cell phones and other mobile devices are not to be used during transition times or between classes.

- If a student needs to make an emergency call during the day, they may ask their teacher to use a building phone located in the classroom, the main office, the counseling office, or the dean's office.
- Parents/guardians can call the main office at 720-886-4510 to relay urgent and important messages to students. If the message relates to different dismissal procedures, please call by 2:30 pm if at all possible.

GRADING

Grades are maintained in our online PowerSchool® program. Grades are determined using the following scale:

90-100%	Α			
80-89%	В			
70-79%	С			
60-69%	D			
50-59%	F			
I = Incomplete				
S = Satisfactory				
U = Unsatisfactory				
NHI = Not Handed In				

RISE

RISE time provides every student with a teacher who is focused on his/her overall academic success and achievement. The system ensures that every student's academic progress is being monitored and that as needs arise, they are adequately addressed and communicated. Students meet in RISE time each day for approximately 37 minutes to participate in lessons around respect, integrity, safety, and excellence, and learn study and organization strategies.

SCHOOL CLOSURE

The Cherry Creek School District communicates school closure information through ConnectEd, major television networks and radio stations. In addition, closure and delay information is communicated through our District and school websites. When school is closed, all after school and evening activities are postponed or canceled. On a delayed start schedule (see page 2 for schedule), morning buses will run approximately 90 minutes later than usual. School will start at 10:20 a.m. School will dismiss at the usual time unless otherwise announced. In the event of inclement weather, activity buses may not run.

STUDENT DELIVERIES

Please note that deliveries for students should only include lunches or materials related to their academic courses. Uber Eats, Starbucks, Door Dash, flowers, gifts, balloons, etc. will not be delivered during the school day.

^{*}Further information about our cell phone policy and consequences for failure to adhere to the policy can be found in our Cell Phone Agreement or our website.

VISITORS TO FOX RIDGE

Parents are encouraged to visit the building and classrooms. These visits, however, are not an opportunity to have a conference with teachers. Such appointments must be scheduled at least 24 hours in advance and approved by school administration. Visitors should report only to the preapproved location(s). Due to security concerns, parents must sign-in at the security desk and show a government-issued photo ID prior to being allowed to enter the building. Visitors are scanned through a networked national database and then issued a visitor badge worn for the duration of the visit. Other student visitors (i.e. siblings, relatives, friends, out-of-town guests, etc.) are not allowed to visit, shadow, or attend lunch during the school day.

CHERRY CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENT BEHAVIOR POLICIES

STUDENT BEHAVIOR (JIC)

Students are expected to know and follow the conduct code of the Cherry Creek School District, which is supported by state laws. Violation of these policies will lead to disciplinary action and consequences established by the Cherry Creek School District, state law, and building policy. All of the information contained here is a brief summary of district policy.

The entire text of any school district policy and/or regulation is available upon request from the principal's office at the school or from the district administration office located at 4700 S. Yosemite Street, Greenwood Village, CO 80111. Additionally, all district policies may be accessed via the Cherry Creek School District website located at: http://www.cherrycreekschools.org/StudentConduct

DISCIPLINE AND CONSEQUENCES

If your behavior is contrary to the expectations or against school/district policy, you will be subject to disciplinary action. These disciplinary actions may include the loss of privileges, detention (after-school, lunch or extended), out-of-school suspension, and expulsion. In situations where you face one of these disciplinary actions, you have a right to due process.

Due process means that each student has several rights when faced with disciplinary action. First of all, you have the right to make a written statement concerning an event that has taken place. This statement is most often written on an "Incident Report" form. You have the right to contact your parents or guardians. Your side of any situation will be heard fairly by your Dean and any decisions reached may be appealed. Special Education students have additional rights as stipulated by their Individual Educational Plan, including the right to have their special education advisor present during disciplinary interviews.

DRESS CODE

CCSD Middle Schools promote a positive dress code where students are encouraged to wear clothing that is comfortable and appropriate for an educational environment. A common dress code cultivates a safe and disciplined learning environment, which is essential to a quality educational program.

CCSD Policy JICAB on student attire is intended to help students concentrate on schoolwork, reduce discipline problems, and promote school order and safety. It is designed to ensure that all students are treated equitably regardless of race, sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, ethnicity, religion, cultural observance, household income or body type/size. Clothing, accessories, paraphernalia, or body adornments may not:

- Be profane, obscene, lewd, suggestive, libelous, or vulgar
- Denote gang involvement
- Promote the use of drugs, tobacco, alcohol, or weapons
- Intimidate or threaten any individual or group
- Expose certain body parts (i.e. genitals, buttocks, midriffs, and breasts)
- Disrupt the learning environment
- Promote any activity prohibited by the student code of conduct

Additional Clothing Guidelines include:

- Clothing shall be sufficient to conceal all undergarments at all times (undergarments are any garments that are under the exterior layer of clothing).
- Shoes must be worn at all times; house slippers are not to be worn at school.
- Accessories that could be considered dangerous or could be used as a weapon may not be worn at school.

If clothing or accessories are inappropriate, disruptive, or outside the expectations, students will be asked to change; parents will be contacted and/or other disciplinary consequences may take place.

DETENTION

Lunch or After School Detention may be assigned by a teacher, or an administrator. If it is assigned by your teacher, it is important for you to ask where you are to meet for that detention and what materials, books, etc. you will need during the detention time. After School detention is held from 3:50- 4:40 p.m. Students may be assigned extended detention until 6:00p.m. Students will be closely monitored and expected to work on homework or read. Students in detention may not participate in extracurricular activities for the days they are serving detention. The teacher or administrator may assign lunch detention. Failure to attend your detention will result in additional detentions, or extended day detention, and in some instances, detention may be used as an alternative to suspension.

SUSPENSION

Out of school suspension requires that students are not permitted to be on any Cherry Creek School District campus. Out of school suspensions are considered excused absences. Out of school suspension always requires parental notification, parent pick-up, and a re-entry conference with the student, parent, dean, and appropriate school team member(s). The purpose of this conference is to plan strategies to avoid a repeat of behavior and further loss of instructional time. A behavior contract may be developed at that time.

POLICE CONTACT

Fox Ridge Middle School works closely with local authorities to maintain a safe and secure learning environment. The Aurora Police Department is available to assist the staff with legal issues, complaints, questions, and concerns. Students who may have violated local, state, or federal law may be subject to police contact.

ACADEMIC TECHNOLOGY

We use PowerSchool® and Schoology, two web-based programs that are valuable tools in your academic success. You and your parents will each be given user identification and log in information for both sites. Bookmark http://my.cherrycreekschools.org in your web browser to access these sites.

PowerSchool: You can expect this to be updated weekly. Use PowerSchool to check your grades and attendance. For larger assignments, it may take teachers several days to complete grading before being entered into PowerSchool. Please contact your teachers with questions if anything is unclear.

Schoology: You can use this to obtain assignments, class agendas, notes, student planner, and updates.

ACCEPTABLE ECD WIRELESS ACCESS GUIDELINES

Internet access will go through the Cherry Creek School District filter that is designed to block sites that are inappropriate for the educational environment. Students are expected to follow and adhere to all district Board of Education policies and regulations, as well as terms and conditions of the district's Internet Acceptable Use Agreement, when accessing the Internet through the district's wireless network with their personal electronic communication devices. A student's inappropriate use of a personal electronic communication device will be subject to consequences under applicable Board of Education policy and/or law.

OUTLOOK INTRANET MAIL / CREEK MAIL

Each student is given an Outlook email account. It is intended to be used for school related business. Each teacher also has an Outlook email account. We recommend that students check their Outlook email at least once a day. These are not private email accounts and all content is governed by school and District policies. Bookmark http://my.cherrycreekschools.org in your web browser to access the site.

Protect yourself by:

- Using this account for school business only
- > Never giving out your password
- > Logging off after you have checked your email
- > Being kind, respectful and safe in all email communications
- > Reporting inappropriate email use right away to your teacher or to the dean

ACTIVITIES AND ATHLETICS

Students at Fox Ridge Middle School have many opportunities to participate in extracurricular activities. You are encouraged to become part of the many activities and athletic teams that are available throughout the year.

CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

Club activities are an important part of Fox Ridge Middle School's overall school program. They help develop leadership skills, get students connected to school and provide opportunities to have a positive impact on our school. All clubs meet after school on days when activity buses are available (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday). An activity bus will be provided for those who are bus riders and are staying after school for a club activity, sport, or an appointment with a teacher. Buses will leave Fox Ridge at 4:45 p.m. Students are asked to follow all school rules and specific transportation rules in order to maintain the privilege of riding the bus. Check the announcements for specific days your club meets.

Student interest drives creation of clubs throughout the district. Some of the current Fox Ridge Activities/Clubs include:

- Art Club
- Destination Imagination
- Drama Club
- Math Club
- National Junior Honor Society

- Robotics Club (fee required)
- Spelling Bee
- Student Leadership
- Yearbook

Activity buses are available at 4:45 p.m. for athletes who would ordinarily ride a bus to school. All other students should arrange to be picked up immediately after practice. There is no home bus transportation following events that extend beyond 4:45 p.m.

ATHLETICS

Fox Ridge is a member of the Cherry Creek Middle School Athletic League and participates in interscholastic competition with the following middle schools: Campus, Falcon Creek, Horizon, Infinity, Liberty, Laredo, Prairie, Sky Vista, Thunder Ridge, and West.

You will compete against students at your own grade level and with similar athletic ability. At the middle school level, there is a "no cut" policy, which means that every participant who attends practice regularly and demonstrates positive sportsmanship will play. Athletic forms are available to download from our website. Participation on any team requires an emergency/permission form that is signed by your parent/guardian. In addition, there is a fee to participate in each sport. The fee will be collected prior to an athlete's participation in the sport. Finances should not prevent a student from participating; waivers are available for any student on free or reduced lunch. For assistance please contact the head coach for that sport or the athletic director for more information on financial assistance. Announcements will be made during the year regarding times and dates for each sport.

Fox Ridge currently offers the following sports:

	Coed Track (Fall)	Boy's Basketball (Winter)	Girl's Basketball (Winter)	Coed Wrestling (Winter)	Girl's Volleyball (Spring)
6th	\$60	\$30	\$30	\$60	\$30
7th	\$60	\$30	\$30	\$60	\$30
8th	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60	\$60

Practices are held each day except Fridays. Transportation is provided to and from away games. If your child will not take the transportation provided back to the school, please be sure to sign your athlete out with the coach.

ATTENDANCE GUIDELINES

DISTRICT POLICY JH:

"One criteria of a student's success in school is regular and punctual attendance. Frequent absences may lead to poor academic work, lack of social development and possible academic failure. Regular attendance is of utmost importance for school interest, social adjustment and scholastic achievement. No single factor may interfere with a student's progress more quickly than frequent tardiness or absences. Therefore, regular and punctual patterns of attendance are expected of each student. According to state law, it is the obligation of every parent/guardian to ensure that every child under their care and supervision receives adequate education and training and if, of compulsory attendance age, attends school. "

Colorado State Law requires that all students must attend school until the age of 17. The Cherry Creek District Calendar provides four vacation periods: Fall break, Thanksgiving vacation, Winter break, and Spring break. We ask parents to please arrange their vacations to correspond with these times.

If the frequency of excused absences becomes excessive, students may be referred to the Dean for additional attendance interventions. Sanctions may include an attendance contract, required medical excuses, referral to the District Student Attendance Review Board, and ultimately referred to Truancy Court.

ATTENDANCE LINE

When you are absent from school, your parent/guardian should call the **Attendance line at 720-886-4515**. To avoid having to send a re-admit note, these calls should be made the morning of the absence. These calls may only be made by a parent or guardian. The recording prompts the caller regarding the important information to leave.

If your student is not called in on the day of absence or is truant from a class, you will be notified by an automated phone message through ConnectEd.

EARLY DISMISSAL

Once a parent, guardian, or authorized person has come to the front window and completed security procedures, then we will contact a student for pickup and have the student come to the front of the building for pickup. Students must be signed out through the attendance office. Parents must provide a government issued photo I.D. prior to checking out any students.

EXCUSED ABSENCE

The following shall be considered excused absences:

- 1. A student who is temporarily ill or injured, or whose absence is approved by the administrator of the school of attendance on a prearranged basis. Prearranged absences shall be approved for appointments or circumstances of a serious nature only which cannot be taken care of outside of school hours.
- 2. A student who is absent for an extended period due to physical, mental or emotional disability.
- 3. A student who is pursuing a work-study program under the supervision of the school.
- 4. A student who is attending any school-sponsored activity or activities of an educational nature with advance approval by the administration.
- 5. A student who is absent in observance of an established religious holiday.
- 6. A student whose absence is approved by the building principal at the request of the parent or guardian.
- 7. A student who is suspended or expelled.

The district may require suitable proof regarding the above exceptions, including written statements from medical sources. If a student in an out-of-home placement (as that term is defined by C.R.S. 22-32-138(1)(e), is absent due to court appearances and participation in court-ordered activities, such absences shall be excused. The student's assigned social worker shall verify the student's absence was for a court appearance or court-ordered activity.

UNEXCUSED ABSENCE/TRUANCY

All absences not described in the previous list are considered unexcused. A "habitual truant" is defined as a student who misses 4 total days of unexcused absences during 1 calendar month or 10 total days of unexcused absences during any school year.

MAKE UP WORK

There may be times when you are absent due to illness or other unavoidable situations. It is important that you make up work that is missed when you are absent. It is the responsibility of the student to pick up any make-up assignments permitted on the day he/she returns to class. Students should check Schoology and PowerSchool for assignments, notes, or important information given following an absence.

In an effort to re-engage the student in school and in his/her learning, make-up work shall be provided for any class in which a student has an excused absence unless otherwise determined by the building administrator or unless the absence is due to the student's expulsion from school. It is the responsibility of the student to pick up any make-up assignments permitted on the day he returns to class. The building administration will determine timelines for completion of any make-up work and will notify the student accordingly.

Make-up work shall be allowed following an unexcused absence or following a student's suspension from school with the goal of providing the student an opportunity to keep up with the class and an incentive to attend school.

Unless otherwise permitted by the building administrator, make-up work shall not be provided during a student's expulsion. Rather, the district shall offer alternative education services to the expelled student in accordance with state law. The district shall determine the amount of credit the expelled student will receive for work completed during any alternative education program.

HEALTH SERVICES

ILLNESS AND ACCIDENTS

A registered nurse is on duty during the school day. Our clinic is located in the lower south hallway. Unless it is an emergency, students will need a pass from your teacher to be admitted to the clinic. The nurse will evaluate the nature of the problem and make contact with parents to determine if it is necessary for the student to go home or to be taken to receive medical treatment. If students are ill, they must go through the nurse's office to contact parents and go home. Students may not call to be picked up from classroom phones, personal cell phones or other office phones.

MEDICATION

Prescription and over-the-counter medication may only be taken at school if it is brought to the clinic in its original container accompanied by a "Permission to Administer Medication at School" form. This form is available in the clinic and must be signed by the student's physician and parent/guardian. Students are not allowed to carry their own medication throughout the school day.

SCHOOL IMMUNIZATION LAW (JKD-1-E #9)

Colorado School Immunization Law requires that all students must be in compliance to attend school. A certificate of immunization from a physician or department of public health must state that your child has received immunization against communicable diseases as specified by the state board of health. If a medical exception is required, it must be signed and dated by a physician. If a personal or religious exception is selected, a form must be signed and dated by a parent or guardian each year. Students who are not in compliance may be withheld from class. **The nurse can be contacted at 720-886-4429.**

SCHOOL CULTURE

LOCKS AND LOCKERS (JIH)

Lockers will be assigned after the first week of school.

Students enrolled in PE will be issued gym lockers.

All lockers are considered school property and can be searched at any time (CCSD Policy JIH).

LOST AND FOUND

If you find lost or misplaced articles, you are expected to turn them in to the Dean's office. Do not keep items belonging to someone else. If you have misplaced an item, check in the Dean's office. The school and district are not responsible for the loss of personal property brought to school. You are encouraged to leave valuables at home or locked in your locker. Unclaimed lost and found items are donated to charity quarterly.

PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Supports) STORE

Students are recognized by our staff with Fox Paws for demonstrating our RISE pillars of Respect, Integrity, Safety, and Excellence. Students can then use their Fox Paws as currency to purchase items of their choosing from the PBIS store. The store is located at our west doors near our dean's and counseling offices.

SCHOOL SAFETY

Our goal is to maintain a safe learning environment. We have developed a safety and crisis response plan that integrates systems for assessment, prevention, intervention, and crisis response with regard to creating a physically and psychologically safe environment. We conduct announced and unannounced drills for our evacuation, secure perimeter, shelter-in-place, and lockdown procedures. The goal of these drills is to check our emergency response procedures and make modifications to our plans when necessary.

- **Evacuation** is used when a significant danger exists inside the building. Teachers will direct students to designated safe areas away from the building.
- Secure Perimeter is used when a significant risk exists outside of the building. All outside activities are moved
 inside, teachers proceed with normal activities, but the building is locked, and access is through the main door
 ONLY.
- Shelter-in-Place is used for dangerous weather events, including tornados. Teachers direct students to safe zones
- **Lockdown** is used when there is a significant risk inside the building. Students will move away from the view of doors or windows and sit silently. Teachers will lock doors, follow procedures, and wait for instructions.
- Hold is used to keep students in their classes for an event such as a medical emergency. A Hold may precede
 or proceed one of the other four emergency response procedures. Students and teachers remain in their
 locations until an all clear is announced.

Information about crisis situations may be communicated through the District website, the District automated call system, communication through the principal's email list and/or letters sent home. In all situations, information is carefully considered to provide necessary details for families to make personal safety decisions and to give parents essential information. It is important for students to refrain from using cell phones in the event of a drill or emergency situation.

SCHOOL STORE

The school store is open during lunch on designated days in the cafetorium. The store is run by the PTCO and sells school supplies and other items. The store is set up to accept cash and checks made to Fox Ridge Middle School.

STUDENT I.D. CARDS

You will be issued a student I.D. card and a Fox Ridge lanyard. I.D. cards are required for checking out library books and are necessary for students to ride school buses. If you lose your student I.D., you must purchase another from Security. Cost for replacement I.D. is \$5.00. Students are required to wear visible I.D.s throughout the day for purchasing breakfast and lunch, checking out books from the library, riding the bus, checking out of the dean and counseling office, and general identification purposes.

STUDENT FINES

Students will be expected to pay for the repair or replacement of any instructional material or equipment checked out to them including books, class materials, lab equipment, lockers, musical instruments, athletic uniforms or technology.

STUDENT NUTRITION SERVICES

FREE AND REDUCED MEALS

The National School Lunch Program provides free and reduced-price meals to students who meet eligibility guidelines. Families who wish to apply for a free or reduced-price meal must complete a new application every school year. For the first 30 school days of the school year, Cherry Creek students will keep the same paid, free, or reduced-price meal status as the previous school year. Applications will be processed within ten school days. Meal applications can be submitted at any time during the year or when families have had a change in income. All families are required to complete a new application each year, which is available on July 1 of each year for the next year.

The student's parent or guardian must obtain a copy of the Letter of Eligibility. To request a replacement copy of the Letter of Eligibility, the parent or guardian may contact the Food and Nutrition Services office at 720-886-7172. The online meal application will be available in English, Spanish, Burmese, Chinese, French, Korean, Russian, and Vietnamese starting July 1, 2023, for the 2023-2024 school year.

Students in all grades that qualify for free or reduced-price meals will receive breakfast and lunch at no charge.

- Online application Visit <u>www.cherrycreekschools.org</u>, select Programs and Services from the banner at the top, then Food and Nutrition
- Paper application available at Student Nutrition Center or your student's school

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How do I load money onto my student's meal account?

You can continue to send money to school with your student or you can add money online using our meal account management program LINQ Connect. You can create an account and manage your student's account by going to www.lingconnect.com and following the prompts.

Will my student's account balance transfer to their new school?

Your student's meal account will follow them throughout their time with Cherry Creek School District.

Can I transfer money from one student account to another?

Yes. Simply call Indira at the Food and Nutrition Services office (720) 886-7172 and she will be happy to assist with this.

Can I get the money in my student's account refunded?

Yes. Simply call Cheryl at the Food and Nutrition Services office (720) 886-7138 and she will be happy to assist with this.

Meals are free for the 2023-2024 school year, so why am I seeing charges on my account?

It's likely that your student has purchased extra entrees, beverages, or a la carte items. These items are not included with the free meal. You can call Food and Nutrition Services (720) 886-7173 and we can review your student's account activity with you.

How do I view the school menus?

Menus can be found on www.cherrycreekschools.org by selecting Programs and Services from the banner at top, then Food and Nutrition. On the Food Service page select Menus-Special Diet Information from the site menu on the left. Click on the large yellow box that says School Menus and choose your school.

My student needs a special diet due to food allergies or other restrictions. Can they still get school lunch? Yes. You will need to fill out a Meal Modification Form found on the Food and Nutrition page at www.cherrycreekschools.org. Further instructions can be found on the form itself. For questions, please call Luke Shealy, RD at (720) 886-7180.

TRANSPORTATION

BICYCLES

You may ride your bike to school. You are encouraged to wear a helmet and to ride safely and in a courteous manner. **Please walk your bike on school grounds.** Once at school, bikes are to be locked in a bike rack area. The school assumes no responsibility for any bicycle stolen or damaged.

BUSES

Safety for all students is our primary concern. The privilege of using the transportation services of Cherry Creek School District is provided if you live beyond two miles from the school. Parents will be asked to sign a document explaining the expectations of the transportation system. All students must have a valid bus identification card in order to ride the school bus. Replacement ID cards are available through the transportation tile.

Activity buses are only for students who are participating in a school-sponsored activity. If you are uncertain about whether you are eligible for bus transportation or have questions about bus rules or disciplinary procedures, please call **the district transportation department at (720) 886-4111.** Note: The bus stops are considered part of the school grounds; therefore, all school rules apply while at the bus stop.

PARENT DROP-OFF

Parents may drop students off in the drop-off lane on the west side of the building. Please do not park in the drop-off lane. Please follow our posted traffic pattern that you will find on our website. Please enter the parking lot through the main entrance by the marquee. The bus lane is strictly for buses only – please do not enter through the CT parking lot. Please do not drop off students in the upper parking lot between 8:10am - 8:50am.

SKATEBOARDS, ROLLER BLADES, AND SCOOTERS

Skateboards, roller blades and scooters may be ridden to school but must be left in your locker or a prearranged location during the school day. Please carry your skateboard and scooter on school grounds. The school assumes no responsibility for any theft or damage to these items.

QUESTIONS?

Where do I find my student's grade, course information, and other online resources? https://my.cherrycreekschools.org/

*At this site, students and parents will find links to PowerSchool (grades), Schoology (online course content manager), Student E-Mail, and Google drive.

The Fox Ridge Website contains the following information: https://www.cherrycreekschools.org/foxridge

- > Bell Schedule / Storm Schedule, School Calendar & Important Dates
- > Athletics Schedule, Forms, and Information
- Course Guide
- Contact Information for All Staff
- > Lunch Menu
- Volunteering Opportunities (PTCO, PASS, and Accountability meeting schedules)

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