# MOOSE TRAX

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### Dear Parents,

This time of year, prospective Cherry Creek parents begin to look at different elementary schools to plan where their children are going to go to school. Their children may be starting kindergarten, or they may be enrolling in upper grades. **School of Choice** (starting now) is for parents who live in or out of the Cherry Creek School District and want their children to go to a Cherry Creek School other than their home school. Our current enrollment is 759 PreK - 5th grade students. Our school capacity is 650 and that is why we have six mobiles (Larimoose Square) - to provide space for all those students. Our preschool uses two of the mobiles.

For context, we welcomed approximately 60 new students at the beginning of this school year, even though no new homes were built within our boundaries. We are expecting 30-45 new students for next school year. Our staffing enrollment and school capacity play a major role in our ability to accept any families on a School of Choice basis. We encourage families to fill out the school of choice application, however our capacity and staffing enrollment has, so far, not allowed us to accept new students unless they live within our attendance area.

Thank you for helping get the word out that we need all kindergarten age students to register with the district over the next couple of weeks. This will help us get a better handle on our total enrollment so we can create a staffing plan that supports our focus on high student achievement and growth. Look for more information about kindergarten and preschool enrollment in this edition of MooseTrax.

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We are seeing an increase in our students sharing stories of being on inappropriate websites or engaging in unsafe behaviors online at home and on the weekends. We are going to increase our efforts to educate students on how to be responsible users of the internet and how to keep themselves safe while being online. Please be aware of what your students are doing online. Many apps and videos are inappropriate for elementary age children, but they are very easy for students to access on their phones and on the internet.

Please remember our school cell phone/watch policy. Students are not allowed to have a cell phone or a cell capable watch on their person during the school day. Students should have the permission of their teacher to call home and they must use a school phone to do so. Students should not be calling or texting parents from any device during the school day. If they are, they are violating our policy. Please help communicate this policy to your child.

Thank you for your help monitoring what your children are engaged in when they are on the computer and/or cell phone. Many programs are available that help limit their access to inappropriate content. There are also apps that allow you to monitor what your students are doing when they are surfing the web. Together we can educate our children and help them make better choices when using social media, apps and when viewing videos.

Sincerely, Scott



February 3: Kindergarten/PreK registration begins

February 4: ALT PASS Meeting @ 6:00

February 17 - 18: NO SCHOOL

February 19: Festival of Nations @ 5:00

February 26: Prepared Parent University @ 5:30

March 17 - 21: Spring Break

# Altitude P.A.S.S. Meeting

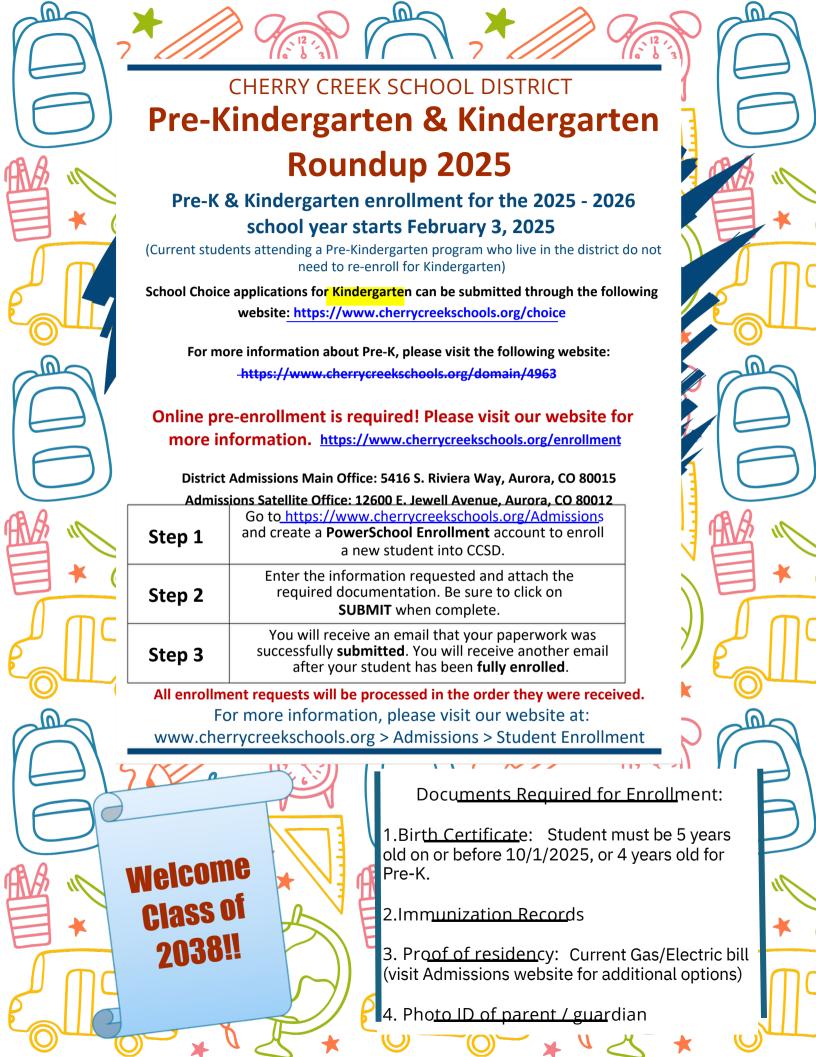
ALL Families are Welcome!
Tuesday, February 4th, 6 -7 (ALT CLC)

The Altitude P.A.S.S. (Partnership for Academically Successful Students) committee is comprised of parents, teachers, administrators and community members.

Our goal is to foster an inclusive and safe environment to support the success of students of color.

Please click HERE to read about the CDC Guidelines on how to decide if your child is too sick to attend school.

Questions or concerns? Email Nurse Carmen at ctrimborn2@cherrycreekschools.org





Kids Heart Challenge is right around the corner officially beginning on 2/3/2025! Get the app (<u>iOS/Android</u>) and sign up on our school page using the link below:

www2.heart.org/gotoAltitude

We invite you to grab a sneak peek of our <u>quacktastic Heart Hero</u>

<u>Team</u>

to begin learning their messages and practice implementing their heart healthy habits!



COACH CHRISTIANSON
COACH FORBES
COACH TAURIELLO
COACH WADDINGHAM

PRACTICES WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS 2:45-4:00PM MARCH 25TH- MAY 15TH



Please join us for our annual

## Festival of Nations on Wednesday, February 19th, 2025 from 5-6:30pm

where we will come together to honor, access, and engage with the many cultures that our students represent.

What is culture? Identification with, or sense of belonging to, a particular group based on various cultural categories, including nationality, ethnicity, race, gender, and religion.

We are looking for families to share their culture with our Altitude community.

Please fill out the form below and return it to the office or use this google form if you want to participate

Festival of Nations Signup

If you have any questions, please reach out to Caren Berger or Emily Kimpton

### I would like to participate in the Altitude Festival of Nations

Please fill out this form and return it to the front office by February 12th

We will follow up with you by February 14th

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School Name: Altitude Elementary School

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We are excited to announce phase 2 of the Altitude legacy brick project open! This ordering phase will close before winter break and we do not have a 3rd phase confirmed yet! Please use the following link below to become a permanent part of Altitude's history and purchase your brick today!

Questions can be sent to treasurer@altitudeptco.com \*Note, early bird pricing is no longer available.

# Save the Date

ALTITUDE ELEMENTARY







**APRIL 26, 2025** 



# Calling all dads, grandads, uncles, and other male father-figures interested in volunteering!





Please click HFRE to fill out CCSD's volunteer application (if you haven't already). This must be filled out each year by our volunteers.

Please click HERE to sign up and schedule your WATCH D.O.G.S. day.

# EQUITY, CULTURE, & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT (ECCE) NEWS FEBRUARY 2025

## ECCE FEBRUARY EVENTS

### **EVENT TITLE: Indigenous Parent Action Committee (IPAC) Meeting**

WHAT:	The IPAC committee is comprised of Indigenous parents/guardians and staff. The committee meets monthly and focuses on the following:  • Illuminating the presence of CCSD's Indigenous community  • Affirming and honoring Indigenous students' presence and cultural identities  • Amplifying the voices of the Indigenous community by working directly with district leaders to make changes necessary to better serve Indigenous students and families  • Forming cross-district partnerships to strengthen the Indigenous community network  • Naming the continuous problems of practice embedded in the CCSD learning experience interfering with Indigenous students' academic and social-emotional success
WHEN:	Thursday February 6, 2025, 6:00pm-7:30pm - Virtual
WHERE:	<u>https://cherrycreekschools-org.zoom.us/j/96131542279?pwd=uHAIn2xzbFoGpBRTzbVni7ca7jdMxk.1</u>
EVENT TITLE: Pasifika Meeting	
WHAT:	CCSD community members are welcome to join our monthly meetings focused on elevating and responding to the lived experiences of students/families identifying as Native Hawaiian/Alaska Native/Pacific Islander in our district.
WHEN:	Thursday, February 13, 2025, 6:00pm-7:00pm - Virtual
WHERE:	<u>https://cherrycreekschools-org.zoom.us/j/99590778481?</u> pwd=GnpkXXraaT4mzXLqdURZ7KCYXNhvPQ.1
EVENT TITLE: IPAC Culture Night	
WHAT:	IPAC Culture Night is a community gathering to celebrate the community with cultural identity and awareness.
WHEN:	Wednesday, February 19, 2025, 6:00pm-7:30pm
WHERE:	Cherry Creek High School Innovation Flex Space

### ECCE FEBRUARY EVENTS

### **EVENT TITLE: VOICES OF COLOR**

WHAT:

CCSD community members are welcome to join our monthly meetings focused on elevating and responding to the lived experiences of students/families of color in our district.

WHEN:

Wednesday, February 26, 2025, 6:00pm-7:30pm

WHERE:

Smoky Hill High School - 16100 E Smoky Hill Rd, Aurora, CO 80015



# SUMMER EBT IS COMING

Starting Summer 2024

### About the Program

Summer EBT helps families buy food during the summer months. If you qualify, you will get \$40 per child for each month when school is not in session. This amounts to up to \$120 per child. You'll receive a card pre-loaded with money in the mail.



- · You already participate in SNAP, TANF or Medicaid
- Your child attends a school that offers the National School Lunch or School Breakfast program and you qualify based on income

#### **How Can You Receive Benefits?**

- Make sure your school has a benefits form or household income application on file
  - For the Cherry Creek School District you may apply at www.myschoolapps.com
- Make sure your school has your current address and parent/guardian information
- Your family will automatically qualify if you participate in SNAP, TANF or Medicaid

EBT cards will be mailed by the Colorado Department of Human Services



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Department of Human Services



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# **\*\*** every kid sports:

Do you need help paying youth sports

registration fees?

The Every Kid Sports Pass can help.

Receive funding up to three times per year, per child.

# **Qualifications:**

- Is your child enrolled in Medicaid, SNAP, or WIC?
- Is the sport recreational (not elite or travel team)?
- Does the sport season last at least 4 weeks?
- Is the child ages 4-18?

If your child meets these qualifications, apply today!



www.everykidsports.org





### English:

Please contact Allie Crocker at acrocker@cherrycreekschools.org for support with this resource in your language.

Amharic: እነዝህን መረጃዎችን በተመለከተ በቋንቋዎ ዕገዛን ለማግኘት ከፈለጉ እባክዎን ተሊሌን በዝህ እሜይል ያግኙዋት thirpa@cherrycreekschools.org.

### **Arabic:**

أو <u>org.cherrycreekschools@jsebbahi يرجى التصال بـ )جميعة صباحي أو جاودة العلمي( على )</u> مع هذا المورد باللغة العربية للحصول على الدعم مع هذا المورد باللغة العربية العربية العربية المورد باللغة العربية.

### Chinese:

如有需要,<u>请经由 ctaylor9@cherrycreekschools.org</u> 与凯瑟琳•泰勒联系,以您的语言获得此资源 的支持。

Hindi:

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#### Korean:

귀하의 언어로 이 자원에 대한 지원을 원하시면 (리아 리) 에게 (llee6@cherrycreekschools.org) 로 문의하십시오.

### <u>Nepali:</u>

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### **Russian:**

Пожалуйста, обращайтесь к Ларисе Бака по адресу: <u>lbaca3@cherrycreekschools.org</u> для получения поддержки с помощью этого ресурса на своём языке.

#### Somali:

Fadlan la xiriir Omar Nur cinwaanka emaylka <u>onur2@cherrycreekschools.org</u> si aad u hesho macluumaad ku qoran luqadaada.

### <u>Spanish:</u>

Si necesita ayuda con este recurso en su idioma, póngase en contacto con Ilse Chavez Maldonado en <u>ichavezmaldonado@cherrycreekschools.org</u>, Rosa Han en <u>rhan4@cherrycreekschools.org</u>, Helena Gognat en <u>hgognat@cherrycreekschools.org</u> o Monica Pantoja en <u>mpantoja@cherrycreekschools.org</u>.

#### Vietnamese:

Vui lòng liên hệ với Thuý Ngọc tại <u>Lchung2@cherrycreekschools.org</u> để được hỗ trợ về tài nguyên này bằng tiếng Việt.