

# MOOSE TRAX

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Dear Parents,

Thank you for coming out last week and supporting our Altitude Veterans Day Parade. This is an amazing event that honors and celebrates our veterans, active duty military, and first responders. The sacrifices that they and their families make, so we can enjoy the freedoms and lifestyles we have, is an important reminder for us all. It was such a great day and hopefully, a memory our students will have for the rest of their lives. It's not everyday you get to participate in a parade!

We'd like to thank all the participants who gave their time to create this one-of-a-kind experience. Thank you to the Aurora Police Department, Aurora Fire and Rescue, and Buckley Space Force for starting and closing out the parade. A special thanks to our Altitude PTCO - Tiffany Wells, for decorating the VIP Hospitality Room, and Michelle Yardeny for providing the food for our honored guests. We also absolutely loved the flyovers from the three T-5 Navy/USAF trainers! We thank everyone for not taking all we have for granted. Happy Veterans Day!

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The Marvelous Moose Showcase (MMS) is coming soon on Wednesday, December 4 from 5:30 until 7:00 pm. The showcase allows every student at Altitude to feature a project they built, research they may have done, or display a talent they have. We use design-thinking (the Launch Cycle) to help guide our students in creating their passion project or grade level project. This night symbolizes our students and their interests. They are problem solvers and critical thinkers, and they use their new skills to highlight and fix what they have created. The MMS is where they launch to an audience! The theme for this first showcase is “The Wizard of Oz”! Please join us, and feel free to dress to impress and follow the yellow brick road!

The gift drive for our sister school, Polton Elementary, will begin on December 2 right after we return from Thanksgiving break. Please be on the lookout for more information shortly and thank you in advance for helping us help others during the holiday season! This is a great time to discuss Altitude’s RISE values of Responsibility, Integrity, Service, and Empathy. Thank you for modeling the importance of serving others and demonstrating that the best gift is the feeling you get when you give to others.

Lastly, we are thankful for your support of Altitude Elementary – our students, staff, and learning community. Thank you for helping us build a community that loves school and loves learning. We are Moose Nation! Happy Thanksgiving!

Scott



November 27 -29: NO SCHOOL

December 2 - 13: Polton Holiday Drive

December 4: Prepared Parent University @ 8:15

December 4: Marvelous Moose Showcase @ 5:30

December 12: Choir Concert @ 6:30

December 16 - 20: PTCO Holiday Shop

December 23 - January 6: WINTER BREAK

## ***Polton Holiday Drive - Helping Families in Need***

Click  for

**DONATION  
INFORMATION**



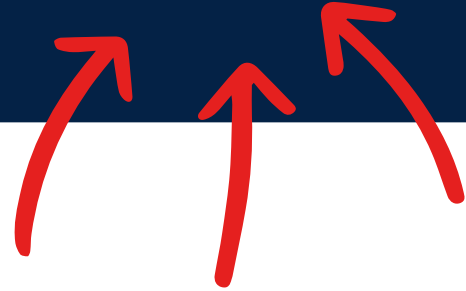
**Please click HERE to read about the CDC Guidelines on how to decide if your child is too sick to attend school.**

**Questions or concerns? Email Nurse Carmen at  
[ctrimborn2@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:ctrimborn2@cherrycreekschools.org)**



**IMPORTANT**

## District Media Waiver Responses from Parent Forms



If you would like to change any of your District Media Waiver responses, please email Allie Crocker at [acrocker@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:acrocker@cherrycreekschools.org). Please be specific on which question you would like to change and please add your students First and Last name in your email.

**Deadline for changes: Friday, December 6th**

Do you give your permission and approval for the District to use any and all photographs and video footage of your child in presentations about our schools, programs, and people, which presentations may be distributed and shared with the public by the District?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Do you give your permission and approval for outside media outlets to interview and/or use your child's image or video footage of your child in their publications? **(ex. 9news)**

☐ Yes ☐ No





*Thank You to Everyone  
Who Attended Our  
Veterans Day Parade!*





ALTITUDE ELEMENTARY

**MARVELOUS MOOSE  
SHOWCASE**

\_\_\_\_ DECEMBER 4, 5:30-7:00 \_\_\_\_

Join us for a  
**WICKED**  
Good Night



**Marvelous Moose Showcase is right around the corner!  
Dress fancy, dress up like Wizard of Oz or wear pink (Glinda),  
Black (Elphaba) or Green (visitor to the Emerald City).  
We can't wait to see you for a WICKED good night!**



# ALTITUDE IA CLUBS

*Tuesday Clubs 7-7:45 am - Jan 14, 21, 28, Feb 4, 11*

*Thursday Clubs 2:45-3:30 pm Jan 16, 23, 30 Feb 6, 13*

*There will be a \$25 club fee*



## Art From Around the World

**Mrs. Berger-GC Room  
3rd--5th Graders--Thursdays PM**

Come learn about and create art from around the world. We may do origami, weaving, batik or other awesome art forms. (If anyone has a special skill and wants to come teach please let me know).



## Cartooning Club

**Mr. Hay-Art Room  
3rd-5th Grades - Thursdays PM**

Want to learn how to draw like a pro? Join Cartooning Club every Thursday after school to learn skills and tricks that will have you drawing like your favorite animators. Let's get creating!



## Jump Rope Club

**Mr. Mundy-Gym  
2nd-5th Grades - Tuesdays AM**

Ready to learn and improve your single rope, long rope and double dutch? Come join the Jumping Moose Club with Mr. Mundy. It's a great way to get some exercise before school starts.

Fill out registration online at this [link](#) between Friday Nov 22 and Tuesday December 10. You will receive notification and a RevTrak link to pay if your student was selected by December 20.

## Spring Choir Club

**Mr. Kerr- Music Room  
3rd- 5th Grades - Tuesdays PM**

Choir follows a different schedule and will meet on Tuesday afternoons from 2:45-3:30 on the following dates: 1/14, 1/21, 1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 3/25, 4/1, 4/8, 4/15, 4/22. Our spring choir concert will be on Monday, April 28 at 6:30pm. Students will be asked to arrive at 6:00pm in the cafeteria. Choir is limited to 50 students and costs \$50.00 for an enrollment fee. All students will receive a t-shirt and also get to perform on the spring choir concert, sing the National Anthem at Coors Field (Date TBD) and sing on the combined Fox Ridge Middle School Concert (4/29). 5th graders in choir club will get to also perform at the Cherokee Trail Celebration of the Arts Concert on 2/11 with a rehearsal at CTHS after school on 2/4.

If you are interested in signing up, please fill out the following Google Form: [Choir Sign Up Link](#)



## Educator of the Year Nomination Form 2024-2025

In order to nominate an exceptional educator who is going above and beyond for our students, please provide a written submission. The nomination should include specific examples and/or stories that demonstrate how the educator has impacted students in a positive manner.

Educator of the Year nominations must be received no later than December 6, 2024.

\*Students ages 13-18 must have their parent's permission to complete a nomination.

\*Students ages 12 or younger are not permitted to submit nominations. Their parents may submit on their behalf.

Nominator's First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator's Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Number (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

First and Last Name of the educator you are nominating \_\_\_\_\_

Position (teacher, counselor, social worker, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

### Written Nomination

You may provide a written nomination here. The submission must have between 150-500 words. Forms submitted without a written nomination will not be utilized.

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Please return this form to the main office no later than December 6, 2024. There will be a ballot box available at the front office or you can email your submission to [lnorris3@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:lnorris3@cherrycreekschools.org)

Please use TOY in the subject line.

# Golden Heart Awards 2024-2025



It is time to nominate for the 2024 - 2025 Golden Heart Awards!

This prestigious award is for any individual who has "opened their heart" to touch the life of a Cherry Creek School District student with special needs. This includes, but is not limited to, bus drivers, teachers, cafeteria workers, paraprofessionals, specials teachers (media, art, P.E., music), those in support positions, students, and community employers.

Each person who receives this award has gone "above and beyond" to support students with special needs who attend Cherry Creek Schools.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT NOMINATIONS:

PLEASE MAKE SURE TO TELL A STORY OR GIVE A DETAILED DESCRIPTION

OF HOW THE NOMINEE WENT ABOVE AND BEYOND what would be expected of any individual in their position or job. Nominations will not be considered without this information. This information needs to be specific and detailed.

ALL NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13th, at the close of the business day (4 pm). Each person or family may nominate one individual for the award; however, you may not nominate a member of your own family. Nominations for an entire team cannot be accepted. *The number of nominations submitted for each person does not affect the likelihood a person will be chosen as a Golden Heart winner.* Winners must be in good standing with the district AND are chosen by an independent reading committee.

THIS ELECTRONIC NOMINATION FORM SHOULD TAKE ABOUT 15-30 MINUTES TO COMPLETE AND MUST BE COMPLETED IN ONE SITTING. Incomplete nominations will not be accepted. We cannot accept entries turned in past Friday, December 13th at 4 pm.

## [GOLDEN HEART NOMINATION FORM](#)

*Winners will be announced in Spring 2025 and Golden Heart Award recipients will be honored at the Golden Heart Award dinner on Friday, April 11, 2025.*



Cherry Creek Schools Special Education Advisory Committee



# **SPIRITWEAR WEEKLY AD**

***VALID NOVEMBER 22 - 28, 2024***

**Ladies' Essential Tee**  
**#EZ038**

**10% OFF**



**Ivy League Fleece**  
**#229763, 222581, 222681**

**10% OFF**

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of School Spirit!**

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**15% OFF**

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**Girl's Princess Tee**

**GILDAN T-SHIRTS**  
**#8000 & 8000B**

**20% OFF**



**Flat Rate  
Shipping!**

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\$4.95 ON ALL ORDERS



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# Don't Forget to Order This Year's School Pictures

ENJOY 10% OFF your order!

CODE: F202410OFF

EXPIRES: July 31, 2025

[Redeem Now](#)

Don't forget to order your **FREE** Digital SmileSafe card!

More about the Smilesafe program [here](#).

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[ybpay.com](http://ybpay.com)

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**Order Deadline:** April 4, 2025

*Fecha Tope Para el Pedido:*

Yearbook ID Code: 15316825

*Código ID del anuario:*

**School Name:** Altitude Elementary School

*Nombre de escuela:*

**Yearbook**

**\$25**

- Sturdy softcover with protective coating
- All-color pages that vibrantly capture your memories throughout the school year
- Durable Smyth-sewn binding that keeps the yearbook intact through wear and tear.

*Anuario*

*• Cubierta blanda resistente con revestimiento protector.*

*• Páginas a todo color que captan de manera vibrante tus recuerdos del año escolar.*

**Hardcover Upgrade**

*Hardcovers stand the test of time with high-gloss lamination.*

*Mejora de la cubierta de tapa dura. Las cubiertas duras pasan la prueba del tiempo con laminado de alto brillo.*

**Add \$5**

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Los precios incluyen impuesto a las ventas cuando corresponde. Cuando pague con cheque, nos autoriza a procesar el pago como una transacción mediante cheque o a usar la información de su cheque para realizar una transferencia electrónica de fondos desde su cuenta de cheques por única vez. Por cheques rechazados se podrá aplicar un cargo. No se aceptan cheques de pago diferido. Al completar y enviar este formulario de pedido, acepta todas las condiciones de Lifetouch ubicadas en [www.lifetouch.com/terminos-y-condiciones](http://www.lifetouch.com/terminos-y-condiciones) y nuestra política de privacidad ubicada en [www.lifetouch.com/privacidad](http://www.lifetouch.com/privacidad).

Contact our Help Center for assistance at [lifetouch.com/support-us](http://lifetouch.com/support-us).  
Select Yearbook Orders for assistance.

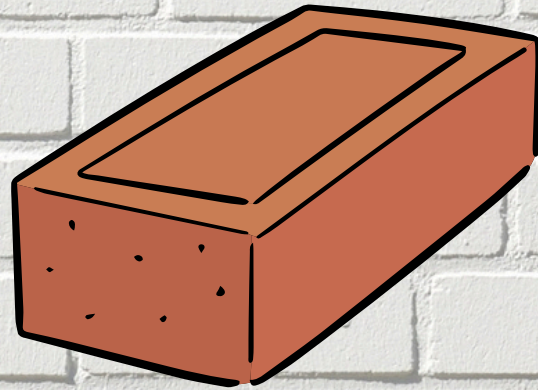
Comuníquese con nuestro Centro de Ayuda para recibir asistencia en [lifetouch.com/support-us](http://lifetouch.com/support-us).  
Selecciona Pedidos del Anuario para recibir asistencia.

**ORDER NOW for the Early Bird Price of \$25 through 12/20/24. Price increases to \$30 starting 12/21/24.**

**Lifetouch**



**Click the  
brick to  
order!**



**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](mailto:treasurer@altitudeptco.com)**

**\*Note, early bird pricing is no longer available.**



# Save the Date



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



Please click [HERE](#) 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.



*Dedicated to Excellence*

Cherry Creek Schools

# ***Giveback Cherry Creek Volunteer Orientation***

Join us for our next  
session and let us  
help you find  
your volunteer  
pathway!

Click [here](#) for more info



**December 11, 2024**

Educational Services Center  
4700 S. Yosemite St  
Greenwood Village, CO 80111

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

[Register Here](#)

[giveback@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:giveback@cherrycreekschools.org)





## To Learn More



720-554-4426



[Giveback@CherryCreekSchools.org](mailto:Giveback@CherryCreekSchools.org)



4700 S. Yosemite St. Greenwood Village, CO 80111



## RSVP NOW!

Don't miss out on attending Giveback Cherry Creek Orientation and Pathway Training Sessions. Space is limited!

## WHY GIVEBACK?

"I loved volunteering in my kids' schools. Spending time with our future generations is so rewarding."  
-Dad of Middle School Student

"I have such a deep respect for teachers, and I am looking forward to a way to intentionally show my support."  
-Community Member

"Intergenerational friendships allow for perspectives to be broadened as wisdom and stories are shared. They contribute to both personal growth and strong communities."  
-Grandparent



# GIVEBACK CHERRY CREEK

## VOLUNTEER PROGRAM



A program to engage community members by matching their skills and experience to meet the needs of our neighborhood schools.



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Cherry Creek Schools



## WHAT IS IT?

Our schools have a need for trained volunteers to ensure each and every student is engaged and supported to help maintain our legacy of EXCELLENCE.

Involvement of multiple generations in various various volunteer opportunities in schools will make a difference in our students' educational journey.

Help shape a brighter future for students and strengthen the bonds within our community. Your time, skills, and enthusiasm are invaluable assets. We welcome you to be a part of our educational family!

Friendships and connections are formed through EXCELLENT neighborhood schools.



## ALL ARE WELCOME

- Parents
- Grandparents
- Community Members
- Empty Nesters
- Friends



## WHY WE NEED YOU?

Trained classroom volunteers allow teachers to provide more differentiated instruction, which tailors lessons to each learner's needs.

The diverse talents and varied life experiences of adults in our communities will enrich our students' learning.

Research confirms that engaging different generations benefits everyone involved supporting their mental health and physical well-being.

“By spending time in service to others, volunteers report feeling a sense of meaning and appreciation, both given and received, which can have a stress-reducing effect.”  
- Mayo Clinic



## HOW DO I START?

Giveback Cherry Creek will provide an Orientation and Pathway Training, starting with presentations that include the district's Core Values, safety and security, and an overview of the current needs in our schools.

Then, volunteers will choose from a number of Pathway Trainings to match their passions and skills with specific Giveback Cherry Creek opportunities and schools.

### Pathway Trainings Include:

- Literacy & Reading Instruction
- English as a Second Language (ESL)
- Data Entry
- Tutoring
- Receptionist
- Recess & Lunch Duty





# 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](http://www.everykidsports.org)





**English:**

Please contact Allie Crocker at [acrocker@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:acrocker@cherrycreekschools.org) for support with this resource in your language.

**Amharic:**

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**Arabic:**

أو [org.cherrycreekschools@jsebbahi](mailto:org.cherrycreekschools@jsebbahi) يرجى الاتصال بـ (جميعه صباحي أو جاودة العلمي) (على).  
للحصول على الدعم مع هذا المورد باللغة العربية [org.cherrycreekschools@jdajani.ami](mailto:org.cherrycreekschools@jdajani.ami)

**Chinese:**

如有需要，请经由 [ctaylor9@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:ctaylor9@cherrycreekschools.org) 与凯瑟琳·泰勒联系，以您的语言获得此资源的支持。

**Hindi:**

अपनी भाषा में इस संसाधन के समर्थन के लिए कृपया जेम्स रसाइथी को [jrasaily@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:jrasaily@cherrycreekschools.org) पर संपर्क करें।

**Korean:**

귀하의 언어로 이 자원에 대한 지원을 원하시면 (리아 리) 에게 ([llee6@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:llee6@cherrycreekschools.org)) 로 문의 하십시오.

**Nepali:**

कृपया जेम्स रसाइथीको [jrasaily@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:jrasaily@cherrycreekschools.org) मा तपाइको भाषामा यो संसाधनको सहयोगको िगी सम्पर्क गर्न हथ िो।

**Russian:**

Пожалуйста, обращайтесь к Ларисе Бака по адресу: [lbaca3@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:lbaca3@cherrycreekschools.org) для получения поддержки с помощью этого ресурса на своём языке.

**Somali:**

Fadlan la xiriir Omar Nur cinwaanka emaylka [onur2@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:onur2@cherrycreekschools.org) si aad u hesho macluumaad ku qoran luqadaada.

**Spanish:**

Si necesita ayuda con este recurso en su idioma, póngase en contacto con Ilse Chavez Maldonado en [ichavezmaldonado@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:ichavezmaldonado@cherrycreekschools.org), Rosa Han en [ghan4@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:ghan4@cherrycreekschools.org), Helena Gognat en [hgognat@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:hgognat@cherrycreekschools.org) o Monica Pantoja en [mpantoja@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:mpantoja@cherrycreekschools.org).

**Vietnamese:**

Vui lòng liên hệ với Thuý Ngọc tại [Lchung2@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:Lchung2@cherrycreekschools.org) để được hỗ trợ về tài nguyên này bằng tiếng Việt.