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Canson Creek Cub Reporter

January, 2022

Main Office: 720-886-3600 Attendance Line: 720-886-3695

Calendar of Events

January 4 School Resumes

January 18 & 19 Chick Fil-A Restaurant Days

January 19
Taste of Thunder Ridge
6:00-7:30 pm

January 17
No School—Martin Luther
King Day

January 25 PTO Meeting 6-7 PM Showcasing 1st grade



Dear Canyon Creek families,

I'm excited to welcome our students back to school and to 2022. Happy New Year! Last Friday, the district sent out a message from the Superintendent about new safety measures for our return to school this week amid a rise in COVID-19 cases. You can read that letter here.

I want to call your attention to some important points in that letter for our return to school.

Mask Mandate - Tri-County Health Department extended the mask mandate. All students and staff are required to wear a mask when inside of school or district buildings.

Staff Shortages – Due to the rise in COVID-19 omicron variant cases, we anticipate possible staff shortages that could impact our school. That could result in temporary closures of daycare, cancellation of activities, and/or moving to remote learning for individual classrooms or our entire school. We are doing everything we can to keep schools open for in-person learning, but if we must close for any period, we will communicate with you as soon as possible.

Class or School Outbreaks – We have strong measures in place to protect the health of our students and staff at our school, including universal mask-wearing and the availability of safe, effective vaccines for all people 5 years old and older. However, if an outbreak requires us to close a classroom or a grade, we will communicate with you as soon as possible.

So that you can be prepared in the event we go remote, please see the schedule below. We will communicate more detailed plans as needed.

Elementary Student's School Day:

Synchronous (K-2) 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., (3-5) 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m., 5 days a week

Asynchronous (K-2) 11:00 a.m. - 1:45 p.m., (3-5) 9:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., 5 days a week

Bus Transportation – Bus transportation could be disrupted due to possible staff shortages. This may result in canceled bus routes or significant delays. Please have a plan in place if your child's bus route is canceled. Consider carpooling if it is an option for your family. We will communicate any cancellations or delays as soon as possible. Please understand we may not know about canceled routes until that day.

School Meals – There may be times that students have reduced options or are served bagged lunches if there are not enough staff to prepare hot meals.

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New Isolation Guidance – Federal and state health agencies have issued new guidance regarding isolation periods for people who test positive for COVID-19. Staff or students who test positive for COVID-19 can return to work/school on day 6 if they have no symptoms or symptoms are greatly improved (and they do not have a fever on day 5). Those who return from isolation on day 6 must continue to wear a mask in compliance with the county mask mandate. This guidance is subject to change.

Vaccines – Vaccines continue to be the most effective way of preventing severe illness, and they help prevent the spread of COVID-19 to others. If you would like to get your student (age 5 and older) vaccinated or get a vaccine or booster shot for yourself, please <u>visit this webpage</u>.

Testing – If you or a family member has COVID-19 symptoms and you would like to get a test, please schedule an appointment ahead of time with <u>COVIDCheck Colorado</u> or another provider and be on time for your appointment. Testing facilities are very busy right now with the rise in cases.

You can help us keep our school open by following the best practices listed above and keeping your student(s) home from school when they are sick or have any symptoms of illness. Thank you for your partnership in our ongoing efforts to keep students and staff healthy and schools open.

Sincerely,

Michael Chipman Canyon Creek Elementary



Canyon Creek PTO

January 2022

Welcome back from Winter Break!

We hope everyone was able to enjoy some time away from school and spend it with family and friends over the holidays! Right before all the teachers and staff left for break the PTO elves were able to scheme a little pre-holiday surprise, a hot cocoa/coffee bar with treats and sweets. We can never thank our teachers enough for their hard work, this was just a little treat to show them how much we care. Thank you!



PTO WANTS YOU TO KNOW!

Did you know you can engage with us every month at our PTO meetings via ZOOM? Keep us up to date with what you and your students are up to in the community. Tag us on social media, we are on Facebook, just search for Canyon Creek PTO!

Check out our PTO website at www.CanyonCreekCubsPTO.com

Events

January 17th -Martin Luther King Day

No School for Students

January 18th and 19th

Restaurant Night - Chick-Fil-A

January 25th

PTO Meeting

CANYON CREEK PTO

Samantha Sands, President
Heather Corsmitt, Vice
President
June Min, Secretary
Nikki Locky, Treasurer
Ruechelle Nolan, Events

Email: CanyonCreekPTO@yahoo.com

Friendly Reminders

Kindness and patience are key when picking up, dropping off, or attending functions at Canyon Creek.



Please be kind and courteous to our neighbors. It is illegal to park within 5 feet of a driveway.

Please be patient in the pick up line and when entering and exiting the parking lot. Everyone has places to go, but we are trying to dismiss 450 students in a very short amount of time and a little patience will go a long way to helping everyone get to where they need to be.

Please be kind and patient with our crossing guards. They are just trying to keep everyone safe!

School of Choice

The Cherry Creek School District allows its resident students to apply for enrollment in the Cherry Creek school of their choice. In other words, you may request that your child attend a Cherry Creek school outside your assigned attendance area. The School of Choice applications are an electronic form that you can access online from **January 1st - February 1st** from any computer, at any time -for acceptance to a school starting in the 2021-22 school year.

Please visit the District Admissions website at: http://www.cherrycreekschools.org/Admissions/Pages/SOCandIDT.aspx for more information and to submit an electronic School of Choice application in January.

NO SCHOOL-JANUARY 17TH



Friendly Reminders

- Office hours are 7:30 am—4:00 pm
- There are no dogs allowed on school grounds
- Our attendance line is **720-886-3695**. This is a 24-hour service provided for your convenience in order to notify the school of an absence or late arrival.
- Please do not drop your students off before 7:50 am. We do not have adult supervision for them prior to 7:50 am. If they are having breakfast in the cafeteria, they may arrive at 7:30 am.
- For snow delay or school closure information call 720-554-4701.
- Go to our school website,

