# **Coal Creek News**



September 2021

## **Coal Creek Elementary**

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## Calendar

September 6

Labor Day – No School



September 10

Jog-A-Thon



September 14

Student Photos



September 24 - October 8

**Pupil Count Window** 

Hello Coal Creek Community! Thank you all very much for the support and attendance for our Back to School Night! These are challenging and very difficult times but kudos to all of you for bringing positive energy and recognition for all that our staff is doing to support the community. We truly do appreciate the partnership and facilitation that you all as parents are also doing behind the scenes to make this work.

Thank you also for all the support and kind words regarding the start of the school year. We are now 13 days in and thrilled to be in school 5 days per week. Students, families and staff have all been incredibly resilient in weathering all the aspects associated with making this happen...thank you!

We are very excited to have Jogathon back in action at Coal Creek again! Great news..parents are invited to attend this outdoor event on the Coal Creek field. We are asking parents to wear masks if attending the event. More information related to the annual event can be found on the PTA flyer, included in Friday Folders. The following information identifies timing for each grade level:

K-8:05-8:45am 1st -8:55-9:35 2nd-9:45-10:25 3rd-10:35-11:15 4th-11:45-12:25 5th-12:35-1:15

I wanted to also let everyone know that we have October Count coming up and it is really important for Coal Creek Elementary to identify the true number of students we are excited to work with everyday..funding is tied to the actual number of students that we can count. The Pupil Count window is September 24<sup>th</sup> – October 8<sup>th</sup>, with October 1st being the actual Pupil Count Day. This is how our school receives funding for our students so it is very important that your student is in attendance during this time. We are currently at 374 students in attendance at Coal Creek Elementary.

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Special thanks to Molly Trappe, President of the CCE PTA, for presenting during our Back to School Night presentation. I wanted to take a moment and plug how valuable it is to have parents involved in our school community and decision making process. For those new to CCE, what is the PTA all about?

"The Coal Creek PTA is a group of parents, faculty and staff who work together to make our school a safe, happy, welcoming and exciting place to learn. We meet almost every month of the school year. These meetings are intended to organize and implement fundraising, programming, extracurricular activities and events which enrich our students and support our faculty and staff. PTA often invites teachers or outside speakers for an educational component. Our principal, Brian Munoz, always attends and offers insight on Coal Creek and BVSD topics that are extremely informational and relevant. PTA helps fill the gap when public funding may not be enough to cover the entire scope of the school's operating budget. PTA is an essential part of our learning community at Coal Creek, helping establish the Equity, Achievement and Climate goals, as well as support them through program assistance. Coal Creek depends on the service of volunteers recruited and managed by PTA". Here is a link to their website: <a href="PTA Website">PTA Website</a>

At Back to School Night, our SAC Chairperson extraordinaire, Sheridan Budin also presented about our SAC, which we identify as the Coal Creek Accountability Team (CCAT). The purpose is to give parents and other members of the school community a voice in major decisions made by the school administration. The committee looks at school goals, reviews school budgets, supports parent engagement, and drives school improvements. BVSD requires each school to have an active accountability team to serve as a grassroots organization for accountability that advises the school Principal. The school's principal is ultimately responsible for ensuring compliance with all federal, state, and district requirements and meeting the academic performance expectations defined by the BVSD. We are thankful for this committee of dedicated parents, community members and teachers for all of the support and collaboration! Link to the CCAT website: <a href="CCAT">CCAT</a> Website

We also would like to announce the following board openings for the CCAT Team:

- o DAC Rep (22-23 school year)
- Parent representatives
- The Coal Creek Accountability Team (CCAT) is looking for a Vice Chair: The CCAT is interested in looking for representation from all grades and programs within Coal Creek. In this role you will work as a board member of the CCAT and work hand-in-hand with the CCAT Chairperson to ensure the mission of the CCAT is fulfilled duties include:
  - Attend and participate in CCAT meetings
  - Help facilitate meetings (as needed) keep members on task, focus discussions, and limit discussions appropriately
  - Help set meeting agendas in collaboration with the principal
  - Help guide the team in reviewing goals and other elements of the UIP
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Help guide the team in making budgetary recommendations

CCAT is also looking for a secretary and we are always looking for more parent representatives to join our team. If you are interested in any of these roles, please send questions, interest and/or qualifications to Sheridan Budin at jsbudin@gmail.com by Friday, September 17th.

Thank you all very much again for a wonderful start to the school year and for all of your support!

~One Proud Puma, Brian Muñoz

## **Counselor Corner**

#### Hello Puma Families!

I'm so excited to kick off this year with you and your students! It has been great getting to see all the returning students while also welcoming so many new faces! I am eagerly looking forward to what this year will bring and excited to share what your students can expect this year and in the coming days from Counseling here at Coal Creek.

### Counseling at Coal Creek

For those of you new to the school who I haven't met yet, my name is Rob Dorr, and I'm the school counselor here at Coal Creek. Some things that I offer here at Coal Creek for your students are classroom instruction on social and emotional well being, career and post-secondary options, and bullying prevention. Most of my time at Coal Creek is utilized in the classroom. I also collaborate with teachers and parents to formulate small groups that may fit a specific need within a grade level. If you are would like to reach out to me and ask me more questions about what I do here at Coal Creek, please feel free to call me or e-mail me using the information below!

## SEL Curriculum Updates

Last year, elementary counseling across the district undertook an attempt to make a uniform counseling curriculum for all students in all schools. In an attempt to blend what is new this year with the curriculum from last year, I've identified the main sources that your students will be hearing this year.

For bullying, we will be implementing the <u>Second Step Bullying Prevention Curriculum</u>. This is a great tool that I've seen implemented at other schools and the curriculum is one of the most popular across the country. For emotional regulation, we will be continuing to utilize <u>Zones of Regulation</u> across the school, but will also be adding lessons from a new source known as <u>Sources of Strength</u>. Coal Creek will also be looking to update our certification to Habits of Mind, which is unique to our school, as well as continuing No Place for Hate, more information below!

## No Place for Hate Updates

Mr. Muñoz and I are so eager to kick off No Place for Hate. We were awarded by being named a "No Place for Hate" School last school year, even despite the many struggles we had with home learning, virtual meetings, and everything else! We are looking forward to continuing this essential work this year by opening up the interest form to all 4th and 5th graders this Friday! Keep your eyes peeled for the grade level weekly newsletters, which will have more information on how to sign up. For students K-3, you will be hearing about No Place for Hate through your teachers, classroom lessons with Mr. Dorr, and all around the school, including a section of books in the library specifically tailored around No Place for Hate. If you would like more information on what No Place for Hate is, you can find the website <a href="here">here</a>.

I can't wait for this year! Having students back in the building 5 days a week, along with all the new happenings at Coal Creek in the classrooms, I just can't help but be excited. If there is ever a need or concern that arises that you would like support with, please feel free to reach out to me! You can call or email me with the information below, or you can click here to fill out the Coal Creek Counseling Referral.

In partnership, Rob Dorr 720-561-4562 robert.dorr@bvsd.org

## **Illness Direction For Parents**

If your student is experiencing any of the following symptoms they **must** stay home:

Major Symptoms	Minor Symptoms
<ul> <li>Fever (100.4 or above)</li> <li>Cough</li> <li>Chills or feeling feverish</li> <li>Loss of taste or smell</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Runny nose or congestion</li> <li>Sore Throat</li> <li>Headache</li> <li>Muscle/Body aches or pain</li> <li>Diarrhea</li> <li>Vomiting/Nausea/Stomach Ache</li> <li>Feeling extremely tired</li> </ul>

- If your child is experiencing fever, cough, loss of taste or smell, or chills (major symptoms) that last longer than 24 hrs they **must** have a negative PCR COVID test to return to school or they will need to stay home for 10 days.
- If your child is experiencing any other symptom (minor symptoms) that last longer than 48 hrs they must have a negative PCR COVID test to return to school or they will need to stay home for 10 days.

Prior to returning to school, e:mail your test results to: coalcreek.attendance@bvsd.org

Testing is available through BVSD and COVID Check Colorado throughout the district – see the schedule <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>.

Parents MUST <u>immediately</u> report a positive test result to <u>sara.remington@bvsd.org</u> (the CCE COVID Coordinator)

Please contact the Office at 720-561-4500 if you have any questions.

## **Spirit Week**

9/7 Tuesday – Super Hero Day

9/8 Wednesday – Favorite Sports Team Day

9/9 Thursday – Crazy Top and Bottom Day (crazy hair, crazy socks & shoes)

9/10 Friday - COAL CREEK SPIRIT DAY!



## Music Notes

Hello Puma Families! Welcome Back! I am so happy to be with all the kids in Music again! I extend a special welcome to all Kindees and new families! We are off to a great start: singing, dancing and making music. Thank you for sending your children to school in good sneakers every day. We move a LOT in Music and it helps tremendously if they have sturdy shoes!

In the Coal Creek Library,

Welcome Back! I am very excited to be teaching lessons in the library space again this year. Please read with your child as often as you can and gently remind them to return their library books on their library day!

There will be a "Book Fair" the first week in October set up in the library space. However, it will not be open to parents, as you are not allowed in the building at this time. If you are interested in supporting the library and purchasing books from the fair you can set up an E-Wallet account through Scholastic. Students will be coming into the library during their regular scheduled library time and can choose to buy books then if they want. Look for more information about this in the October newsletter.

Happy Reading from Your Librarian,

Mrs. Kirby

#### Coal Creek Art Studio

We are creating our Original Works Art Project!

This is a special project for which students generate personal images to give as gifts. Information on how to order your child's art printed on fun objects like mugs, cards, and pillow cases will be given in October.

## Ordering begins October 27th

This is also an important fundraiser for the art studio.

The company we use gives a portion of the proceeds back to the art room to help purchase art supplies!

#### **About Our Studio**

The art classroom is run as a studio. Kindergarten, first and second graders gradually learn to make independent choices in their art making. Third, fourth and fifth graders have significant opportunities to choose which studios they want to work in and develop ideas that are personally meaningful. This approach is called Teaching for Artistic Behavior; it fosters creativity, problem solving, inquiry and idea generation skills and is whole child focused.

A strong focus in the art studio for all grades is making connections. We celebrate when we discover something new, find a new solution, make a mistake and figure out how to fix it and when we notice how art relates to other areas of our lives and our world.



## <u>Updated Immunizations</u>

Please turn in your student's updated Immunization Records if you have not already done so.

## Attendance Line

Please remember to report your student's tardy/absence through the Parent IC Portal.





Resources Available for Low or No Cost Eye Exams and Glasses (a family copay may be required)

#### Available for Students Who Have:

- No health insurance
- Health insurance, but limited/no vision coverage
- Broken glasses and insurance won't cover another pair
- One pair of glasses but need a second pair to keep at school, and insurance won't cover

Contact Alicia Seivers at 720.561.5559 or email at alicia.seivers@bvsd.org for more information.

**NOTE:** For students with Medicaid or CHP+, vision coverage is included in benefits. Use this <u>link</u> for a list of vision providers that accept Medicaid/CHP+.



## **Vision Resources**

Vision Providers who Accept Medicaid/CHP+ (Proveedores de la vista que aceptan Medicaid y CHP+)

Alpine Eyecare 2449 Pine St. Boulder, 80302 Phone #: 720-600-0440 Fax: 720-403-862 Habla español  Front Range Eye Associates 13605 Xavier Lane, Suite G Broomfield, 80023 Phone #: 303-951-1820 Habla español	Lafayette Eye Associates 511 Crossing Dr. Lafayette, 80026 Phone #: 303-665-2068 (Medicaid Only)  Eye Care Center of Northern Colorado 1400 Dry Creek Drive Longmont, CO 80503 Phone #: 303-772-3300
Adventure Dental, Vision, Orthodontics 1739 N Main St. Longmont, 80501 Phone #: 303-834-6400 Habla español	Front Range Eye Physicians 1319 Vivian St. Longmont, 80501 Phone #: 303-772-3611 Exam only
Vision Works @ Flatiron Crossing 1 West Flatiron Circle Dr. Broomfield, 80021 Phone #: 303-469-0857	Altitude Optometry/LensCrafters Optique 1855 29th St Boulder, 80301 Phone #: 720-565-3031 Exam only
Front Range Eye Health Center 1220 Summit View Dr. Louisville, 80027 Phone #: 303-665-7797 Habla español	Eyeworks 615 Main St. Louisville, 80027 Phone #: 303-666-6320
Boulder Vision Center 1645 28th St. Boulder, 80301 Phones #: 303-443-4545 (Medicaid Only) Translation services available. Need prior notice.	Colorado Eye Gallery 6545 Gunpark Dr. Suite 250 Boulder, 80301 Phone #: 720-575-1755 (Medicaid Only)
3D Vision Eye Care 5760 W 120th Ave Ste 240 Broomfield, 80020 Phone #: 303-404-3937	Visions Eye Care Center/ Dr. Steinberg 3100 Arapahoe Ave Boulder, 80303 Phone #: 303-447-8470 Habla español

## Now Hiring BVSD School Age Care Staff at Coal Creek

Join the Coal Creek SAC staff Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:30pm-6:00pm. In addition to your paycheck, you can bring your little one(s) along for FREE (free child care for child care staff on the days you work)! You will support the SAC students with their daily school work and oversee enriching Learning Zones that complement their school day.

BVSD School Age Care <u>details</u>. Apply online on the BVSD Jobs webpage for a <u>staff position</u> (a love of kids is all that is needed) and then send an email to <u>trevor.wood@bvsd.org</u> once you've applied so we can be on the lookout for your application!

## **PTA News**

Dear Coal Creek Families!

Hope you all had a wonderful summer and great start to the 2020/2021 school year. Welcome to all the new families that have joined Coal Creek this year. We are thrilled to have you. As a PTA we are excited to have some semblance of normalcy this year with fundraising and volunteering at the school!



We are looking forward to a fantastic **Jog-A-Thon** on September 10th! This is a fun day for the whole community as students run laps around the field with music blaring, families cheering, and Mr. Maron's water streams flying. We invite you to join in the fun by cheering, running with them, marking tally cards, or serving water. <u>Click Here</u> to volunteer during the event. The students love Jog-A-Thon and are enthused by your involvement.

Jog-A-Thon is Coal Creek's **biggest fundraiser** of the year, funding nearly 65% of the PTA programs! **Our goal is to raise \$45,000 at this year's Jog-A-Thon. That is an average of \$125 per student.** Click here to donate online or turn in checks (made out to Coal Creek PTA) in the manila envelope that is outside the main office. Get creative with your fundraising by sharing the donation link with friends and family using email and Facebook, going door-to-door, or having a lemonade stand to support our school. **Please ask your employer if they will match your donation.** 



Our first Dining for Dollars event is at **Chipotle** on McCaslin Rd on **Tuesday September 14th from 4-8pm,** dine in or take and 33% of your bill will go back to Coal Creek Elementary. If you order at the counter: Don't forget to tell them you're supporting Coal Creek to ensure your order supports the school! For online ordering: Use code P4MP766 before checkout in the 'promo' field. Orders placed on <a href="Chipotle.com">Chipotle.com</a> or through the Chipotle app for pickup using this unique code will be counted towards the fundraiser.

We are so excited for the first outdoor adult only **Silent Disco fundraiser** on October 2 from 7-10pm at the Steinbaugh Pavilion in downtown Louisville. Grab your old Coal Creek friends and make some new ones as you dance the night away to raise money for the school. Tickets will be \$15 in advance (\$20 at the door) and beer, wine, and non-alcoholic beverages will be available for purchase. If you have experience as a DJ and want to donate your time to make your fellow Coal Creek parents dance for the evening let us know! Buy your tickets <a href="https://example.com/heres/buy/h



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Please join us for the first **PTA Member Meeting of the year on Friday, September 17th** at 8am behind the school at the picnic tables. You don't need to be a member to attend. We will have coffee while discussing PTA business. We love your input as decisions are made. To become a member of the PTA, click here.

Warmly, Your Coal Creek PTA

## Top 10 easy ways to be involved at Coal Creek Elementary

#1 JOIN OUR <u>FACEBOOK PAGE</u>: <a href="http://www.facebook.com/groups/1531387610464228">http://www.facebook.com/groups/1531387610464228</a>

## #2 KNOW WHERE TO FIND OUR WEBSITES

• Coal Creek BVSD webpage <a href="http://cce.bvsd.org">http://cce.bvsd.org</a>

PTA Website <a href="www.CoalCreekPTA.com">www.CoalCreekPTA.com</a>
 PTA's Help at School <a href="https://bvsd.helpatschools.com">https://bvsd.helpatschools.com</a>

## #3 GET TO KNOW FELLOW COAL CREEK PARENTS!

Book your sitter and come to the Silent Disco on October 2 from 7-10pm at Steinbaugh Pavilion. Get to know other Coal Creek parents at a fun event dancing the night away. Get your tickets <u>here</u>.

## #4 JOIN THE PTA www.CoalCreekPTA.com/join

#### **#5 ATTEND MONTHLY PTA MEMBER MEETINGS**

Even if you're not a member of the PTA you are WELCOME to attend. www.CoalCreekPTA.com/calendar

## #6 VOLUNTEER

Even though we can't be in the classroom there are still volunteering opportunities for everyone. Click <u>here</u> to see all the available volunteer needs.

## #7 SET YOUR KING SOOPERS REWARD TO COAL CREEK PTA

5% of your Grocery purchases go straight back to Coal Creek. DON'T skip this... It is our largest income maker and it's no extra cost to you. Log into your King Soopers account and click on Community Rewards, choose Coal Creek PTA.

### #8 EARN MONEY FOR OUR SCHOOL SHOPPING ONLINE

Use <u>smile.amazon.com</u> and select Coal Creek PTA as the recipient of this generous program.

## #9 ATTEND "DINING FOR DOLLARS" EVENTS

• Chipotle: September 14th, 4-8pm, mention Coal Creek and 33% of the bill will be donated.

#10 Last, but not least... GET YOUR SPIRIT WEAR! Click here to order today!