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## Not-To-Be Missed Events

### August 21, 2023 | Registration Day + Back to School Community Picnic

This essential day starts our year with student photos and a host of activities to share with families as we begin the year.

### February 14, 2024 | Grand Day

This annual celebration is an opportunity to celebrate special friends and grandparents and connect the generations in our community.

### March 2024 | Adventure Week

Students in Grades 4th-8th engage in expeditionary learning and leadership through trips to Estes Park, CO, Moab, UT, Monterey, CA, Washington D.C., or local options of Outdoor Education, Film and Video Production, Museums, or Cooking.

### Apr 26, 2024 | Entrepreneur Expo

Students are hard at work developing their grade/class businesses, solving problems and creating amazing products and services to showcase during our annual Entrepreneurs Expo.

### May 3, 2024 | Shark Tank Finals

The culmination of our LiFE (Leadership, Finance, and Entrepreneurship) curriculum for 8th grade students is their business plan competition and the final round of "Shark Tank."



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## Reasons you will love being an Aspen Academy student:

1. Every class is designed for each student to find their infinite potential. Small class sizes allow students to be seen, known, and inspired.
2. Our electives or specials are essentials because we believe that these subjects are essential to a life well lived.
3. Students ages 4 to 14 are paired up as part of our Student Mentorship Program: Mentors and mentees meet on Fridays when there's no AMP'd, to do fun leadership activities together!
4. Each year, you'll create a business with your classmates and during your 8th grade year, you'll create a own business that you dream up!
5. Our playground has something for everyone, whether you like to swing, jump, slide, run, climb, or spin.
6. The possibilities are endless in our lower and middle school STEAM labs.
7. Each day starts with our LiFE curriculum where students learn about Leadership, Finance, and Entrepreneurship.
8. On select Fridays, we kick-off the day with a countdown "Three...Two...One...Zero!" and Aspen Morning Program (AMP'd) —a family favorite and student-run performance. Before AMP'd, purchase a donut, coffee, or spiritwear from BSE Cafe or BSE Store!
9. Every year, each grade creates a business, starting by solving a problem, learning to market, and ultimately sell their products at the highly anticipated Entrepreneurs Expo.
10. Our teachers are phenomenal and on average, have roughly 14 years of experience. Not only do they teach subjects from Math to Music, but they're also leadership coaches who bring out the best in our students!

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## Key Areas of Focus

1. Next Generation Education
2. Leadership, Finance and Entrepreneurial Development
3. Community Strength and Service



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## Extracurricular Enrichment Opportunities

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## Favorite Student Programs

**Bear's Student Enterprises (BSE):** Students in grades 7 and 8 operate our on-campus businesses, participating in cohorts including Broadcast, Cafe, and Store. BSE participants get real-world experience in promotions, operations, teamwork, and more as the lead-up to the business plans they'll complete in their 8th grade year.

**Student Mentor Program:** Every student at Aspen academy participates in this program. Students in grades 4 - 8 are often seen reading, teaching, playing, and leading alongside their mentees in grades Pre-K - 3. This relationship holds strong through the school year as they attend events together as well as play games and fun activities in relation to our leadership topics.

**Service Learning:** Service learning connects academic learning with civic engagement and creates an opportunity for experiential learning. Every grade has the opportunity to take part in an effective service-learning project that meets an authentic need in our community. Our students develop strong decision-making and problem-solving capabilities within the project that fosters a sense of ownership.



Be Kind.  
Do Good.  
Work Hard.  
Make the  
World Better.

