

FIRESIDE CHAT

October 27, 2023

Message from Mrs. Keppler

Our traditional Halloween parade is on **Tuesday, October 31st from 8:15-9:00 am**. Looking ahead at the weather, it stands to be quite chilly. The parade route will be weaving in and out of classrooms. Parents are invited to join us by viewing the parade **outside** their child/ren's classroom door or on the intermediate playground where students and staff will take one final lap before re-entering back into their classrooms. Students are encouraged to wear their costumes to school- please no gore, weapons, or masks (this goes for adults as well!). If your child would like to borrow a Halloween costume from the school for our parade, please contact Molly Kobus molly.kobus@bvsd.org.

As was previously communicated, If students or their families do not want to participate in the parade and celebrations, they can participate in an alternate activity that ELD Teacher, Shelby Warshaw, will help facilitate, or they can have an excused absence in the morning and can **come to school at 10:00**. At Fireside, we strive to make our Halloween and fall celebrations

inclusive of various cultural holidays/celebrations. The goal of our annual Halloween parade is to bring students and families together school-wide to celebrate community, with optional costumes allowing individuals to express joy or creativity. We also honor and recognize that there are many important cultural traditions in the fall.

Last, I'd like to thank parents for your active engagement and participation at Fireside. As I shared during this week's PTO meeting, our goal is to help all families feel a sense of connection and belonging. This week's Families and Educators together gathering, PTO meeting, and Principal Coffee were a few examples of how our partnerships continue to strengthen and enrich our school and community.

PTO News

Thank you for joining the PTO at our meeting this week. It was great to see you all and to meet new families here at Fireside. See you at the next meeting!

Jog-A-Thon - Tax Receipts

Does your employer have a donation matching program? We can provide you with a tax receipt for your Jog-A-Thon donation that can be submitted to your company. If you're interested in taking advantage of this, contact [Nina Levy](#).

Dining for Dollars: a percentage of the proceeds go directly toward Fireside

- Monday, November 13th: Ginza Hibachi
 - Wednesday, December 13th: Chipotle
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Community Events

Skate City Westminster:

- \$7 entry fee and \$4 skate rental
- Wednesday, November 29th: 5pm-7pm

- Must mention Fireside

Spirit Wear Holiday Sale

The 2023 [Spirit Wear Holiday Sale](#) is just around the corner! We will have new designs and product lines that will make great gifts for the entire family. This is the perfect time to think about placing orders for teachers, staff and administration holiday gifts. Popular gift options include Camelbak water bottles, coffee tumblers, tote bags and gift cards. All Holiday Sale orders are guaranteed to arrive by December 23rd!

Sale Dates: November 6th - December 8th

Get Involved with Local Climate Action

[Louisville Climate Action](#) is a local group of teachers, parents and community volunteers who aim to support our youth in becoming stewards of a better world starting at the local level. If you would like to get involved, please reach out to Fireside's ELD teacher [Shelby Warshaw](#). First meeting and HelpAtSchools sign ups coming soon!

Talent Show Interest for 2024-2025 School Year

Do you have a background in performing arts? We'd love your help getting the Fireside Talent Show back at school, but we need a lot of parent support. Please complete the [Google Form](#) if interested.

Upcoming PTO Meeting

- Wednesday, November 15th: 9:10am - 10:30am in the amphitheater
 - **Free coffee and free babysitting**
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More About the Parent Teacher Organization

New to Fireside or ready to get involved? Follow us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), or visit www.FiresidePTO.org to discover the many ways to support our school.

Spotlight on Specials: Library (by Michelle Mattocks)

Thank you, Fireside Community, for making our fall book fair an immense success! We sold over 1,600 books! Sales from this event benefit the library and different library programs all year long. A special thank you to all who volunteered to help with the fair! Your time and patience were so appreciated.

During the month of November, we will be highlighting Native American stories and authors, along with various tales of Thanksgiving. Classes will also be participating in lessons designed to support a part of their classroom learning in an effort to make the library an extension of the classroom.

CU Wizards - October 28

"Colors of Chemistry!"
9:30 to 10:30 am
Cristol Chemistry Rm 140
CU Boulder

This show will feature favorite, select demonstrations curated and presented by the University of Colorado's Director of Undergraduate Chemistry Laboratories, Christopher Marelli. Colorful, lively demonstrations will inspire and pique the curiosity of young science and nature enthusiasts. What does Chemistry have to do with colors? What do atoms do when they're excited and then calm again? How can we know more about what stars are made of by looking at their colors? Come find out! A rare opportunity to see the famous demonstrations that allow students to understand more about the awesome Colors of Chemistry that illuminate the universe!

Kids are invited to attend this program in their Halloween costumes!! There'll be plenty of tricks... and treats for everyone!

For more info, please visit: www.colorado.edu/cuwizards

Open Enrollment

BVSD's Open Enrollment is November 1- January 9, 4pm. Families may choose to enroll their students in a school outside of their neighborhood to begin the next school year as long as there is sufficient programming, staff and space at the school.

Selection is based on a lottery process, not first-come first-served. Because Open Enrollment is not guaranteed, district residents who choose Open Enrollment may simultaneously pursue [neighborhood school enrollment](#)[Enrollment in Neighborhood K-12 Schools](#) .

Fireside will have information and tours:

- Nov. 15th 1-2 pm
- Dec. 7, 5:30-6:30pm

For more information and FAQ's, visit BVSD [HERE](#) and Board Policy, JECC-R - [open enrollment procedures and information](#).

Nutcracker Boulder Ballet

Want to see The Nutcracker this year? Now is the time to buy tickets!


15% OF TICKET SALES GO BACK TO FIRESIDE WHEN YOU SELECT OUR SCHOOL IN THE "HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT US" DROP DOWN AT CHECKOUT **BY NOVEMBER 15**.

Find more information [HERE](#).

P.R.I.D.E Awards

Congratulations to this week's P.R.I.D.E. award winners:

Grady Gutshall, Tali Peress, Everest Cornell, Nobe Barragan, Harper Ruhl, Jayden Pittman, Serena Jaimes-Schwind, George Buse, Gili Nir, Archer Busby, Lili Peress, Oliver Dow, & Aryahi Gangadharbatla.



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