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CHALLENGE SCHOOL



This Week's News

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Message From the Principal



Welcome back from fall break! It was great to see smiling faces return to school this week. Just a bit ago we were complaining about how fall still felt like summer, and now we're planning for a snowy arrival on Monday morning. Please plan for additional time for your morning commute on Monday and dig out the coats, boots, and hats over the weekend.

Thanks to those of you who provided feedback on our traffic plans. We're in the process of revising plans that we will send out for implementation sometime next week. Please stay tuned to your email for updates on both the revised traffic flow and start date.

It's also important for us all to stay on top of the latest information from CCSD and Tri-County Health regarding COVID-19 and the possibility of moving to a fully remote instructional setting. We continue to work with our students on virtual learning tools as classroom resources that will also serve them if we move into a fully remote setting. That being said, we continue to enjoy each day our students are learning in person and hope that we can continue with in person learning for as long as our environment allows it. Be well!

Warmly,
Principal Strohfus

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Upcoming School Events

Spirit Week:

Monday: Pajama Day

Tuesday:

Crazy Hair/Hat Day

Wednesday: Fandom Day

Thursday: Decade Day

Friday:

College and Career Day

Picture Retakes
October 28

Non Contact Day
No School
November 6

Weather Information



As the chilly weather approaches, we just want to send out a few reminders. If the temperature is 20 degrees or warmer with the wind chill, students will be outside before school and at recess. Students will still go in their assigned door regardless of the temperature and students may not be on campus prior to 7:45. Breakfast begins at 7:40.

If the district is on a delayed start, all grades begin at 9:00am.

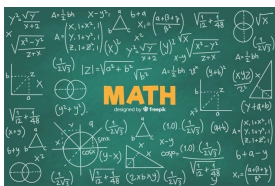
Work It Out



Turn your Mondays into fun days by joining Mrs. Blythe's "Work It Out" series. Improve your balance, agility, strength, and overall fitness. We will be focusing on body weight training and getting the most out of each exercise. The first session will consist of four virtual HIIT (High Intensity Interval Training) classes. Have some fun getting your heart rate up, and cheer on your friends. You will look and feel better! Middle School Classes will meet from 11:30-noon. Elementary 3:30-4:00. What are you waiting for? Classes begin this Monday! Click on the link to sign up now:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4FA8A82CA0F58-work>

Rich Morrow Math Challenge



Registration is open for the 2020 Rich Morrow Math Challenge!

The RMMC is an annual math contest, meant to inspire a love of math and build problem solving skills with elementary students (3rd-5th grade).

Usually we'd gather at Smoky Hill High School on the first Saturday in December, with each school bringing 9 students. This year ANY students can participate (schools are **not** limited to 9 students).

And the contest is online!

Important Links:

[Planning Forward 2020-2021](#)

[Challenge School Website](#)

[2020-2021 Challenge School Calendar](#)

[Volunteer Opportunities](#)

[CCSD Parent Resources](#)

[Schoology Troubleshooting Guide for Students](#)

And there's NO cost!

When: Saturday, Dec. 5th, 2020

Where: *All online!*

Who: Any Cherry Creek students (3rd-5th grade) who love a good math challenge!

To register, click [here](#), or go to this link:

<https://forms.gle/Yb9Q2QdYpybBjVFT7>

Or for more information, go to our website:

<https://sites.google.com/cherrycreekschools.org/richmorrowmathchallenge>

(you need to be logged into a Cherry Creek Google account to access the site)

Picture Retakes



PICTURE RETAKES

Picture retakes will be Wednesday, October 28. Students who were not at school on the original picture day will have their picture taken that day along with those who would like retakes. If your student is in Middle School Cohort B and would like retakes, please contact Deanna Bustamante at dbustamante@cherrycreekschools.org.

Picture retake envelopes are available for students to pick up in the office.

Art Fundraiser



Our art fundraiser will be entirely online this year! Are you interested in purchasing custom keepsakes with your child's art on them? Not only are these keepsakes perfect as holiday gifts but proceeds from this fundraiser will also go towards supporting your child's art class.

Please click [here](#) for instructions on how to order.

Yearbook



We have a new request for yearbook photos! Send pictures of your student staying connected with their pals. To submit pictures for inclusion in the yearbook, please follow the instructions provided. Please click [here](#) to see how you can help!

Food and Nutrition Logo



Announcing the Food and Nutrition Services logo contest! Please click [here](#) for details!

Colorado Feeding Kids



Colorado Feeding Kids is a local nonprofit that will provide our schools with FREE Family Meal Packs! Once a month meal packs will be provided to your school. To the left is a picture example of what the boxes look like. If you are interested in these boxes for your family, please fill out this google form: <https://forms.gle/5kW3KMjXriuBdQ167>

Fall Festival Virtual Pumpkin Carving and Decorating Contest



We are having so much fun with this Year's Virtual pumpkin carving contest that we are EXTENDING it till Sunday, October 25th! Please click on this [link](#) to enter your students decorated or carved pumpkin. Prizes will be given for the spookiest, funniest and most creative pumpkin

The Howler



The Howler has been printed and copies are on their way home to you through your oldest student who will receive it from his/her connections teacher. If you ordered a copy and have not received it please contact PTCOChallenge@gmail.com. If you did not order a copy, it's not too late - click [here](#) to request a copy.

Feedback

We hope that you are getting all of the information that you need from this update. If you have ideas on how we could better keep you informed, please email dbustamante@cherrycreekschools.org.