### **CHALLENGE SCHOOL**



This Week's News

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# Upcoming School Events

Touchless Book Fair September 18-October 2

Lost and Found items will be donated on October 9. Please have your child check lost and

# Food and Nutrition Services

cherry creek schools food and nutrition services



recipe for excellence

Food and Nutrition Services has some very exciting news! Thanks to extended funding from the USDA, we are able to offer FREE meals – breakfast and lunch – to ALL students through December 2020!! Per USDA guidelines, qualifying meals must include 3 of the 5 meal components -Meat/Meat Alternate, Grain/Bread, Fruit. Vegetable, and Milk – one of which must be a fruit or vegetable. Additional meals (i.e. extra slice of pizza, or extra entrée) or a la carte (snack) items, are not covered by the USDA and therefore must be purchased at cost. Although meals are free, we encourage families to still fill out a Free and Reduced Meal Application for the 2020-21 school year if they haven't done so already. This ensures these benefits continue in January 2021 and enables CCSD to receive all possible school funding. The meal application can be found on family.titank12.com. I also want to take this opportunity to remind you that should your student's class be quarantined at any point during the school year, they can come by any Cherry Creek Middle School location on Monday between 7:15 – 8:30 am and 11 - 12:30 pm to pick up 5 full days of meals to eat while they learn at home. Definitely keep this in mind as a resource in the event of a quarantine. Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions or concerns and we will be happy to assist. We cannot thank you enough for supporting our amazing meal program!

found for missing items prior to that day.

Fall Break October 12-16

No School October 19 Non-Contact Day

**Important Links:** 

Planning Forward 2020-2021

Challenge School
Website

2020-2021 Challenge School Calendar

> Volunteer Opportunities

CCSD Parent
Resources

Schoology
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Guide for Students

# CAGT Art Contest



Colorado Association for the Gifted and Talented presents the Second Annual CAGT Art Contest-Virtual Edition. Please click here for details.

### **Book Fair**



Fall Touchless Book Fair is here! Please click <u>here</u> for details.

#### No Place for Hate



Calling all middle school student interested in contributing to a safe and inclusive school community! Please join the No Place for Hate Student Coalition! No Place for Hate is a student leadership group which creates activities promoting a healthy school climate and supports anti-bullying at Challenge. This year's No Place for Hate will meet on remote learning days by A or B cohort. Please join the No Place for Hate Schoology Group with this code ZSVQ-6P3X-2QMQF. Meetings begin next week!

# 2020 Virtual Show



Are you excited about all thing's theater and performance? Sign up to join the 2020 Virtual show. Students will create skits and performances that will present a similar passion for the arts. Performances include theater skits, dance, and song. Be the first 20 of 6th- 8th grade students who sign up for Mr. Smith's virtual show. Meetings will happen mostly on Monday's so sign up early. Students will work together virtually to design/ theme and present their show as a

collection of creative ideas. Sign up for a spot by using this <u>Sign- up Genius</u> link.

#### Yearbook



Want to see your students in the yearbook? Please click <u>here</u> to see how you can help!

### **TSA**



Do you have questions about TSA for the 2020-2021 school year? If so, please feel free to drop in on Monday, October 5th, for information and an overview of how TSA will work this year. I will do one virtual session at 4:00 pm and another one at 6:30pm. One question that is on everyone's mind is how much TSA will cost this year since it will be virtual and we won't be going to the hotel for the conference. Sadly, we won't know that answer until November due to a variety of reasons. All we know is that it will be "significantly less." I can discuss that and other questions at the session.

If the information session doesn't work for you, please feel free to email me at <a href="mailto:jking37@cherrycreekschools.org">jking37@cherrycreekschools.org</a>. We can also set up a time to meet via Teams if you have questions about the sign up process or events. Looking forward to starting our 7th year with TSA! Please click <a href="mailto:here">here</a> for more information. <a href="mailto:lnformation Session via Microsoft Teams link.

# Social/Emotional and Wellness Support



If you would like to join Challenge School's **Social/Emotional and Wellness Support** Schoology course, please click here for information.

# 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



Look what's Coming in October! The PTCO will be hosting a Virtual Pumpkin Carving and Decorating Contest for all grade levels. This is a free event. There will be prizes for Spookiest, Funniest, Most Creative, and Overall Best Pumpkin. Click this <u>link</u> for more information.

### HelpCounter Account



Please sign up for your HelpCounter account. Click <a href="here">here</a> for all details. Challenge School depends upon the generosity of our parent volunteers - please create your account to stay informed on volunteer needs and opportunities.

# New Fundraising Partner



We have a new no cost fundraising partner! If you purchase anything from American Furniture Warehouse (online, over the phone or in person), mention Challenge School and AFW will donate 2-4% of your purchase price to us. Have you recently made a purchase? Call the store and they will make a donation for previous purchases. More details are available here.

# Reserved Parking Spaces



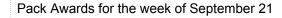
PTCO still has one reserved parking spot available for purchase left over from last spring's Wolf Drive fundraiser. The spot in the main lot is available for \$500. If you wish to purchase either one, please visit <a href="https://wolf-drive-2020.cheddarup.com">https://wolf-drive-2020.cheddarup.com</a> If you have questions, please contact <a href="https://wolf-drive-2020.cheddarup.com">PTCOChallenge@gmail.com</a>.

# Howler Deadline Extended



The deadline for the Howler has been extended until September 30. Please click here for ordering and advertising information.

# Leaders of the PACK





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### 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 <a href="mailto:dbustamante@cherrycreekschools.org">dbustamante@cherrycreekschools.org</a>.