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CHALLENGE SCHOOL



This Week's News

January 10, 2020

Message from the Principal



We're back in full swing to start 2020 here at Challenge! I know that our staff deeply enjoyed the time off to relax, recharge our batteries, and enjoy time with our loved ones. We hope that your time off gave you all the same opportunities!

Surprisingly, I've always found January to be one of our busiest months at school, and this year is no exception. Team E students will showcase their skills as budding scientists at our science fair on January 16. Team C will be going to Young AmeriTowne on January 16, as well. Weather permitting, we'll be hosting our January PACK Assembly to recognize students who embody and exhibit our PACK behaviors. These students are recognized by their teachers and staff for their positive contributions to our classrooms and our larger school community.

Lastly, we all know that we are blessed in Cherry Creek – and especially at Challenge – to have such fantastic volunteers. Some of our hardest working volunteers in the district are the five members on our Board of Education. January is Board of Education Appreciation Month. I want to formally express our gratitude to our board members as we thank them for their hard work, dedication, and tireless advocacy for our 55,000+ students in Cherry Creek!

Warmly,

Dave Strohfus

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Challenge School would like to thank the Cherry Creek School District Board of Education for their service and dedication to the CCSD Community. Thank you Karen Fisher, Kelly Bates, Janice McDonald, Anne Egan, and Angela Garland!

Intramurals



Interested in participating in Challenge Intramurals? Please click [here](#) for more information.

Speech & Debate



It's time to sign up for Spring 2020 Speech and Debate. For more information, please click [here](#).

Chess Team



The Cherry Creek School District Chess tournament will be held at Overland High School on Saturday, February 29. Any student is welcome to enter. See the attached form for more information and the entry form. Please click [here](#) for the form.

Yearbook Ordering Information



Don't miss out on the memories! Order your yearbook before prices change in January. Click [here](#) for details.

Wolf Drive



The Wolf Drive will launch February 1st.

Information for Current 8th Graders

Our new School Counselor, Ms. Emily Thomas, has put together a wonderful document full of information regarding upcoming CCSD High School Welcome Nights including CTE information. See all the details [here](#). Please

Upcoming Events

NO SCHOOL on January 20

January 13

TSA Meeting

3:00-4:30

Mandatory TSA Parent Meeting

4:30-5:30

January 14

Beattie Homework Help

3:00-4:00

Elementary Student Council

3:00-3:45

January 15

Chess Club

3:00-4:00

January 16

TSA Meeting

3:00-4:30

Elementary Chess Team

at Willow Creek

3:00-5:30

Science Fair

6:30-7:45

February 1

Wolf Drive Launch!

February 11

AAC Meeting

5:30-7:00

PASS Meeting

7:00-8:00

March 6

Family Cultural Night

6:00-8:00pm

PTCO Links



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check this page often as it is updated as new information becomes available.

Cherokee Trail 9th Grade Open House Information <[here](#)>

Grandview Welcome Night information <[here](#)>

STEM Blazers



A new club opportunity for 2020 dedicated to 6th-8th grade girls interested in the STEM field. Please click <[here](#)> to see the flier.

To sign up to drive, please go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0b4aa9ab2ea7f58-stem>

Box Tops



Please remember to keep clipping and scanning receipts to collect box tops! This is a great way to support Challenge.

CCSF Event



Please click <[here](#)> for information about upcoming CCSF Community Night with the Colorado Mammoth.

Challenge AAC and PASS



Thanks for coming out to the [AAC](#) (Advisory and Accountability Committee) and [PASS](#) (Partnerships for Academically Successful Students) meetings earlier this month. Save the date for the next meeting on Tuesday, February 11, 2020.

PIN Meetings

PIN's mission is to provide informative local and national speakers on topics relevant to current parenting and youth-related issues and to provide a forum for parents to connect and create a caring community. You are invited to attend the next meeting Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at Cherry Creek Options School from 6:30-8:15pm.

See all of What's Happening <[here](#)> and check the [Facebook Page](#) for updates

PTCO needs help filling volunteer spots. Click <[here](#)> for details

District News

Smoky Hill HS Mini Cheer Clinic

Please see the flier <[here](#)>

January 13 BOE Meeting

Grandview High School
6:30-8:30

January 14 PIN Meeting

Cherry Creek Options
School
6:30-8:15pm
Please click <[here](#)> for details

For a calendar of all PIN Meeting dates, please click <[here](#)>

January 22 District PASS Meeting

Cherry Creek High School
6:00

Please click <[here](#)> for information

February 8 Overland High School Father/Daughter-Mother/Son Dance

Click <[here](#)> for information



Overwhelmed? Stressed out? How to make stress work for you. More details <[here](#)>.

Volunteer Hours



Would you like to log your volunteer hours? Click <[here](#)> to log your volunteer hours now. Thank you for your volunteer time!

Leaders of the PACK



Week of December 20

Ayaansh Aggrawal	Adita Dande	Hannah Davis
Margaret Harley	Scott Minn	Molly Mong
Cyrus Ruterbories	Aditi Thapa	Hussein Al Eyoon
James Boberschmidt	Makayla Dorow	Seyenna Habte
Daniel Ioris	Abraham Kabir	Nathania Melak
Polina Merkulov	Nathan Minn	Cylus Murphy
Alexis Nsanji	Shayaan Obiaidullah	Kurt Schamberg
Ashaan Shah	Zoey Steenson	Lucas Coleman-Sell
Kaya Eggleston	Evan Ginsberg	Evan Hall
Abby Meier	Ruby Raleigh	Danial Dafiulla
Amruta Saleru	Kaden Bustamante	Izzy Delhierro
Emersen Fischer	Riley Follweiler	Yohanna Gideon
Annika	Jaden John	Om Khurana

Hartman		
Nishita Kotlapati	Emilio Kukic	Sravysri Lankipalle
David Mirza	Brianna Obot	Abby Shu
Kabir Srivastava	Natan Tefera	Leo Yadav
Bennett Fedorowicz	Eireen Margittai	Akshita Upadhyay
	Sovereign Walker	

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.