

CHALLENGE SCHOOL



This Week's News

August 16, 2019

Message From the Principal's Desk



We're so excited to welcome you all back to Challenge School to kick off our 2019-20 school year! For those of you who are brand new to Challenge School, let me be the first to say, "Welcome! We're glad you're here!" So far we have had a very successful full week of teacher preparation for this year and successful openings for middle school, elementary, and finally for our brand new kindergarten students today. Middle school Back to School night was a great success, and we look forward to our elementary Back to School night next week on Tuesday, August 20.

Many of you have stopped in to say hello and introduce yourself to me since I was announced as your new principal in June. While I'm new to Challenge School, I'm not new to Cherry Creek. Most recently I served as Director of Planning and Interagency Relations for CCSD from 2014-2019. Prior to my district-level role, I served as principal at West Middle School from 2009--2014, and as an assistant principal at Falcon Creek Middle School from 2004-2009. Overall this is my 25th year in education, and I've never been more excited to kick off the year than I am right now with our Challenge School community!

I look forward to meeting you in person at our upcoming events! Thanks for making this a successful start to the year!

Warm Regards,

Dave Strohbus, Principal

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August 20

MS Lego Robotics Club

3:00PM-5:30PM

Elementary Back to School Night

6:30PM--7:30PM

District News

Health and Wellbeing

For Information on Health and Wellbeing of our students, please click [here](#)

From the Kitchen



Welcome back from the Challenge School kitchen staff! We will be serving breakfast and lunch beginning August 12th. Breakfast is served daily from 7:30-8:00am. Don't forget to apply for Free and Reduced-Price Meals. You must apply every year to ensure your students remain on the program. Go to www.ccsdcafe.org to apply.

Join us for lunch next Wednesday, August 21st. We will be serving Cool Tropics slushies as a fruit option when you purchase a school lunch.

Music Notes



Auditions for the Team D/E musical will be coming soon! Please click <[HERE](#)> for more information.

All State Choir practices will start after school on September 6th from 3:00-4:00 for all interested current 7th and 8th graders. Click <[here](#)> for more information.

Wolf Watch



For Information about Wolf Watch Before and After School Care, please contact Sarah Chew at schew@cherrycreekschools.org.

Destination Imagination



It's time to start forming Destination Imagination teams! Please click <[here](#)> for registration information.

TSA Parent Meeting



Please click <[here](#)> for information about the TSA Parent meeting on August 26th.

PTCO Corner

Back to School Slushies

Celebrate the first week of school on Friday from 3pm-4pm! Kona ice will be selling slushies! Stay after school to see new friends and catch up with old ones.

Monday 8/19 - 8-8:30am

New year PTCO coffee on Monday, Aug 19 - 8-8:30 in the cafeteria. Agenda: The year ahead + welcome from our leaders and returning families.

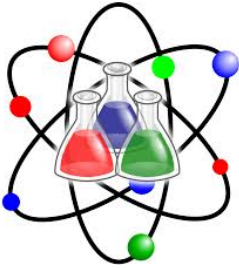
Please feel free to contact Challenge School PTCO with any thoughts, questions or ideas at ptcochallenge@gmail.com

Student Senate



Are you interested in Student Senate?
Please click <[here](#)> for more information.

Science Fair



There are times during project-based learning, science fair, shadowing, etc. that our students could use mentors/ volunteers in specific career fields. To help us find these mentors/volunteers more easily, we are asking parents/guardians to fill out the survey at the link below. There are some volunteer areas listed at the bottom that don't require specific career fields, too. We want to have an updated list, so please fill out the survey again even if you filled it out last year.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScEr7CgWNZHASzKaEKESAAVZlbn52_SL000Zeh8qi_hlfWQVw/viewform?usp=sf_link

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.