

### DAILY SCHEDULE 2024-2025

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KINDERGARTEN	8:00	10:30-10:50	10:50 - 11:10	2:45	1:45	
1ST GRADE	8:00	10:55-11:15	11:15 - 11:35	2:45	1:45	
2ND GRADE	8:00	11:45-12:05	12:05 - 12:25	2:45	1:45	
3RD GRADE	8:00	12:35-12:55	12:55 - 1:15	2:45	1:45	
4TH GRADE	8:00	11:20-11:40	11:40 - 12:00	2:45	1:45	
5TH GRADE	8:00	12:10-12:30	12:30 - 12:50	2:45	1:45	
CUBS DEN/PANTHER CLUB	8:00			2:40	1:45	

Is your student going to be late or absent?

ATTENDANCE LINE
720-747-2695 (save this number in your phone)
AVAILABLE 24 HOURS A DAY

## THE PRINCIPAL

Hello Polton Families,

April 1,2025

It was great to see so many families at Polton during parent-teacher conferences! And a huge thank you for supporting our Scholastic Book Fair! We hope you enjoyed the student artwork lining the halls and hearing about your child's growth. Last week, we also tried our first hybrid to mix an in- person/Zoom meeting for PTCO and we were happy to see so many of you join via Zoom. We do have a few PTCO positions open, and we really need parent help in order for us to continue the great work that our PTCO has done over the past few years. If you are interested in learning more about positions or ways you can support, please reach out to our PTCO president, Effie Ginsberg at the following email address: poltonptco@gmail.com

Starting next week, our 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders will begin their first CMAS tests also known as state testing. CMAS is one piece of data that contributes to all of the ongoing data we collect to support all students. Third, fourth, and fifth grade students will take English/Language Arts (ELA) and Math. Fifth grade students will also take Science. We want to ensure Polton's participation rates continue to reach the Meets Participation guidelines (95% or more of our students participate in testing). Federal law states that 95% of students need to take the required assessments, so our goal is that over 95% of students in grades 3-5 participate in the test so that we have accurate assessment data in order to identify next steps for our school community. We are in our second year of being at the performance level for our CMAS results which is the highest level a school can achieve. We still have room to grow within that level and we hope to do so this year!

It is important that students are prepared for CMAS. Please make sure your student is well-rested, has breakfast, and is at school on time. Breakfast is always available in Polton's cafeteria starting at 7:40 am. We really appreciate when appointments are scheduled outside of the CMAS testing times. If you are already aware of any reason why your child might miss CMAS, please reach out to your classroom teacher. To make sure we have enough time for testing, we do have to make some changes to our Integrated Arts schedule. Please see the attached CMAS schedule for testing times and schedule switches. If you have any questions about CMAS, please feel free to reach out to Courtney Blume, Assistant Principal. Once Courtney goes on maternity leave, you may contact Katie Schell, our Instructional Coach, as she will take over CMAS.

Speaking of maternity leave, Courtney will be here for as much as April as possible. Once her maternity leave starts, Greg Connellan will be joining as an administrative substitute. Attached in our newsletter is a welcome message from him. He has many years of experience, not only as a teacher, but as a principal in the Cherry Creek School District as well. He is excited to support Polton and will also start the school year until Courtney's return around Labor Day.



## THE PRINCIPAL

Time to mark your calendars! We will have our annual Field Day on Friday, May 16th. This day is so fun for our kids, and family support is always helpful. Our PE teacher, Mr. Rodgers, aka Mr. Gym Jim, is looking for volunteers. Please use the link below if you are interested in volunteering that day!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E45AFAB22AAF94-55965286-field

In addition, we will start our day at 8:30 with our Incredible Inflatables Race. As you may remember our community once again stepped up to raise close to \$30,000 this fall during our Den Dash. SIMPLY INCREDIBLE!!! Now it's time for our school to celebrate! You will see some of our beloved Polton teachers ready to race each other in an inflatable costume of their choice. We have some incredibly competitive staff members, so this is going to be highly entertaining!

Thank you for all that you do to support Polton!

Polton: Where Incredible Happens Daily

Sincerely, Angie Lore, Principal Courtney Blume, Assistant Principal









April- Genocide Awareness Month

April 4th- Shelter in Place Drill

April 4th - 25th- CMAS Testing

April 11th- Golden Heart Awards Event

April 16th- Spirit Night at Panda Express

April 21st - 4th Grade Field Trip

April 23rd- District V.O.I.C.E.S. of color meeting

April 23rd- Fire Drill

April 28th- 5th Grade Field Trip

May 2nd - Non-Contact Day NO SCHOOL



If your student will be absent or late, please call our

ATTENDANCE LINE 720-747-2695

Do NOT call the main office
Save this number in your phone!!!

Be sure to call prior to 8:20am to avoid the automated calls, texts and emails!

For ALL Before or Aftecare needs, please call

**POLTON PLACE 720-747-2678** 

Do NOT call the main office Save this number in your phone!!



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### MEET THE GUEST ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL



### MR. GREG CONNELLAN

### Hello Polton community!

My name is Greg Connellan. I have the pleasure of serving as your Assistant Principal until Ms. Blume returns. I am excited to have the opportunity to work alongside Ms. Lore and have great respect for her leadership. I look forward to getting to know you during my time at Polton.

As a retired educator in the Cherry Creek School District, I was fortunate to serve as teacher and administrator for over twenty-five years. In fact, my own kids went through our District, and both had great experiences during their time in school.

The values I strive to work for are integrity, honesty and kindness. I am here to support you and your children to the best of my ability. Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions or concerns you may have.

Thank you for being involved in the education and growth of your children while at our great school.

Go Panthers!!! Mr. Greg Connellan





## TESTING SCHEDULE

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7	8	9	10	11
IA CHANGE for the week: 4th grade IA from 8:10-8:55 on M, T, TH, F and W 8:10-8:45	5th Math 8:30-10:25 4th ELA 9:05-11:20	5th Math 8:30-10:25 4th ELA 9:05-11:20	5th Science 8:30-10:05 4th ELA 9:05-11:20	5th Science 8:30-10:05 Makeups: 8:45-11:00
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When

### Wednesday, April 16, 2025

Place your order for pickup or delivery on Wednesday, April 16!



Where

### Available at Panda Express locations nationwide

www.pandaexpress.com



How

### Online orders only

Apply code **9000631** in the Fundraiser Code box during online checkout at <u>www.pandaexpress.com</u> or via App

28% of sales will be donated to: Polton PTCO

We're a nonprofit organization that directly supports Polton Elementary School.

**ORDER** 



7:30AM -3:45PM **VOLUNTEERS** NEEDED

**NEED YOUR HELP MAKING THIS DAY** INCREDIBLE FOR OUR STUDENTS. PLEASE **CLICK THE LINK TO SIGN UP FOR A BOOTH!** 





## TA APPRECIATION DAY

Wednesday April 2, 2025



Appreciation Day April 8th, 2025



POLTON PLACE APPRECIATION WEEK

APRIL 21 - APRIL 25





PLEASE CHECK OUT THE LOST AND FOUND FOR YOUR STUDENTS LOST BELONGINGS.

## kindergarten





<u>Haga clic aquí para español</u>



## Do you live OUTSIDE Polton Boundary? Complete your School of Choice application NOW!





BEFORE & AFTERCARE

WE ARE AN AFFORDABLE, SAFE AND ENGAGING LICENSED CHILDCARE CENTER LOCATED AT POLTON ELEMENTARY

### HOURS

AM SESSION: 6:30AM - 7:40AM PM SESSION: 2:50PM - 6:00PM



AM SESSION \$10 PER CHILD PM SESSION \$20 PER CHILD

REGISTER AND SCHEDULE AT MY.CHERRYCREEKSCHOOLS.ORG SCHOOLCARE WORKS TILE

Existing Users Login Here SchoolCare



New Users Login Here and Choose This Tile



CALL POLTON PLACE DIRECTLY FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT OUR PROGRAM 720-747-2678

> KELLY GAFFEY, DIRECTOR KGAFFEY@CHERRYCREEKSCHOOLS.ORG









welcome. We just ask for your help to keep our school safe by checking in at the front desk.

- ALWAYS Check In at Door #1
- Bring ID/ Drivers License
- ALWAYS check out before leaving

check-out

#protecttheden #pantherpride



## Do you have issues with a BUS?









<u>Did your student get on/off the bus?</u>
<u>Track with the App!</u>

**CCSD Transportation** 

Late or Missing Bus Call 720-554-4911

Student or Bus Issues Call 720-886-7412



# IT'S TIME TO APPLY FOR FREE AND REDUCED SCHOOL MEALS!

Although all students will receive no-cost meals, it's important for households to apply for the meal program.



## MORE THAN FREE MEALS!



Qualifying households may be eligible for summer EBT benefits, receive discounted school fees, class materials, bus passes, utilities support, and more.

Apply today!!

www.myschoolapps.com



Applying for the meal program ensures you and your school receive all available financial support.

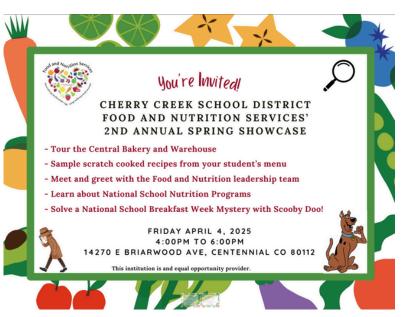
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April 4th, 2025 @ 4-6 pm











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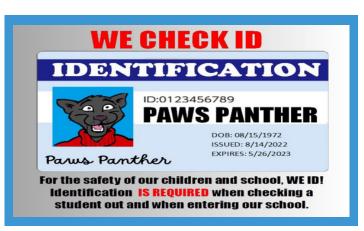


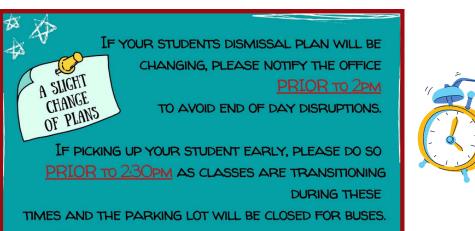
### DON'T FORGET YOUR DAILY SNACK & WATER BOTTLE!

If you would like to donate snacks to a class, we suggest goldfish, granola bars, and fruit snacks!



# Bring











### PANTHERS ONLY ZONE



DOGS ALLOWED

ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

## NO EDIBLE > BIRTHDAY TREATS

In an effort to support all students, including those with health and allergy needs, we can no longer allow edible items for birthday treats. •

We encourage non-food items, such as stickers, pencils, trinkets, etc.,







### NO TOYS AT SCHOOL

Please support your children by reminding them that toys (including Pokemon cards) are not allowed at school. This will help eliminate distractions here at school. Thank you for your

support with this!













Summer EBT provides \$120 per eligible school-aged child to buy more of your family's favorite nutritious food while schools are out on summer break.



### What can I buy?

Buy foods like fruits, vegetables, dairy, bread, meat, poultry and fish. Use Summer EBT at stores that accept SNAP, like grocery or corner stores, and online at King Soopers, Albertsons, Amazon or Walmart.

### Your student may be eligible if:

- They attend a school that participates in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and qualify based on household income
- · The student's family receives SNAP or Colorado Works
- Your student receives Medicaid AND qualifies based on household income using the NSLP income guidelines
- They are in foster care, a migrant, or experiencing homelessness



This institution is an equal opportunity provider. Summer EBT funds are available to households regardless of immigration status.

Scan or visit our website at cdhs.colorado.gov/summer-ebt for more information!

Not automatically enrolled, but believe you're eligible?

For Cherry Creek School District Complete a Household Income form at www.myschoolapps.com, or call the Summer EBT Support Center Hotline 800.536.5298





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EARN
MONEY
FOR
POLTON
JUST BY
SHOPPING!



PTCO-

### Community Rewards Program

### EARN MONEY FOR POLTON!

How to Enroll:

1.Download the King Soopers App 2. Click on the 3 red lines at the top right

3. Click on Rewards

4. Click on Community Rewards 5. Click on Search for Organization 6. Type Polton Community in the

> search field 7. Enroll



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SCAN YOUR RECEIPT.



EARN FOR A SCHOOL.

Download the Box Tops app, shop as normal, use your app to scan your store receipt! The app will identify Box Tops products on your receipt and will automatically credit your school's earning online!

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SCAN YOUR RECEIP THE OLD

**BOX TOPS CLIPS** 



Still have some of these? Send them in, we will still take them!

https://www.boxtops4education.com/How-To-Earn

### Polton PTCO 2024-25 Events



PTCO Meetings 5:30pm-6:30 pm
We will notify you of any meeting changes
Zoom links will be sent out the day of the online meetings
September 25th CLC (Library)



November 13th Zoom January 15th CLC (Library) March 26th Zoom May 7th CLC (Library)



Email poltonptco@gmail.com
Find us on Facebook and Instagram



### **Events and Fundraisers**

Chipotle Spirit Night: 9/24
Den Dash Fun Run: 10/1
Little Caesar's Online Fundraiser 10/1 - 10/31
Trunk or Treat: 10/25
Panera Spirit Night: 1/28
Panda Express Online Fundraiser: 4/16
Teacher Appreciation Week: 5/5 – 5/9
Lost & Found donation dates:
10/11, 12/20, 3/14, 5/22
And more fun stuff! TBA



Ongoing fundraisers: King Soopers, Box Tops and more!
Check the Polton PTCO Facebook page and the school website for more information!

**Next Meeting - May 7th** 

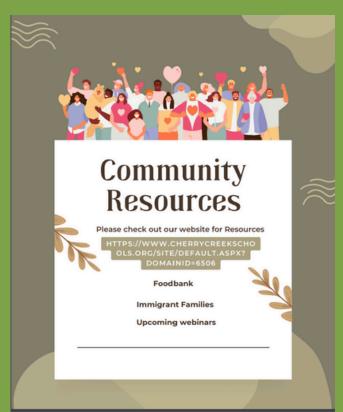
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## INSIDE OUT

## where creativity and innovation live!

Inside Out offers classes with options for half-day or full-day for one or two weeks during June 2025. The Inside Out summer enrichment program, sponsored by the Office of Neurodiverse Student Services, offers students a learning environment that fosters critical thinking, creativity, collaboration and effective communication skills.

Registration opens

March 24th and closes

April 21st. For more

information – click

link below







Dear Parent or Guardian,

While issues of grief and loss are hard for anyone to handle, they can be especially painful and confusing for children. Sharing with other children who are in similar situations and knowing that they are not alone can be very helpful. We invite your child to take part in a positive, healing experience with Camp Comfort.

Founded in 1995, Mount Evans Home Health Care & Hospice's bereavement camp has helped more than 2,000 grieving children ages 6 to 12 find a path through their grief. Camp Comfort will be offering two weekend long camps in the mountains and one day camp for three days in metro Deriver this summer. Children learn ways to cope with their grief through workshops and activities, building skills to help them now and throughout their lives. Workshops are balanced with exciting recreational and creative activities, so that children feel free to have fun and just be kids.

Our hope is that an experience at Camp Comfort will assist your child in understanding their loss while having fun and finding support with other children who have lost a loved one.

With Hopes of Healing, The Camp Comfort Staff



Ages 6-12

SPOTS ARE LIMITED, CHECK OUT
WEBSITE FOR MORE DETAILS



Estimado padre o tutor,

Si bien los problemas de duelo y pérdida son dificiles de resolver para cualquiera, pueden ser especialmente dolorosos y confusos para los niños. Compartir con otros niños que están en situaciones similares, situaciones y saber que no están solos puede ser de mucha ayuda.



Invitamos a su hijo a participar en una experiencia positiva y curativa con Camp Comfort. Fundada en 1995, Mount Evans Home Health Care & Hospice, Camp Comfort ha ayudado a más de 2.000 niños en duelo de las edades de 6 a 12 años a encontrar un camino a través de su dolor. Camp Comfort ofrecerá dos campamentos de fin de semana en las montraïs y un campamento de día para tres días en el área metropolitana de Denver este verano. Los niños aprenden maneras de afrontar su duelo a través de talleres y actividades, desarrollando habilidades para ayudarlos en el presente y durante toda su vida. Los talleres están equilibrados con actividades emocionantes, recreativas y creativas, para que los niños se sientan libres de divertirse y ser simplemente niños.

Nuestra esperanza es que una experiencia en Camp Comfort le ayudará su hijo en la comprensión de su pérdida mientras se divierte y encuentra apoyo con otros niños que han perdido a un ser querido.

Con esperanzas de curación, El personal del campamento Comfort



### every kid sports:

www.everykidsports.org

## Do you need help paying youth sports registration fees?

The Every Kid Sports Pass can help. Receive funding up to three times per year, per child.

### Qualifications:

- Is your child enrolled in Medicaid, SNAP, or WIC?
- Is the sport recreational (not elite or travel team)?
- Does the sport season last at least 4 weeks?
- Is the child ages 4-18?

If your child meets these qualifications, apply today!







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## Spring Adult ESL Classes

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### **ENGLISH CLASSES**

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### CHERRY CREEK HIGH SCHOOL

### **OVERLAND HIGH SCHOOL**



### **EAGLECREST HIGH SCHOOL**

### **GRANDVIEW HIGH SCHOOL**

### CHEROKEE TRAIL HIGH SCHOOL



Free to parents in Cherry Creek School District

**LEARN ENGLISH** 





### English:

Please contact (name of liaison) at (email) for support with this resource in your language.

#### Amharic:

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### Arabic:

يرجى الاتصال بـ (جميعة صباحى أو جاودة العلمى) على ( <u>jsebbahi@cherrvcreekschools.org</u> أو <u>jdajanialami@cherrycreekschools.org</u> للحصول على الدعم مع هذا المورد باللغة العربية.

### Chinese:

如有需要,请经由 <u>ahan10@cherrycreekschools.org</u> ,与韩馥联系,以您的语言获得此资源的支持。

#### Korean:

귀하의언어로 이 자원에 대한 지원을 원하시면 (리아리) 에게 (<u>llee6@cherrycreekschools.org</u>) 로 문의하십시오.

#### Russian:

Пожалуйста, обращайтесь к Ларисе Бака по адресу: <u>lbaca3@cherrycreekschools.org</u> для получения поддержки с помощью этого ресурса на своём языке.

#### Somali:

Fadlan la xiriir Omar Nur cinwaanka emaylka-onur2@cherrycreekschools.org si aad u hesho macluumaad ku qoran luqadaada.

### Spanish:

Si necesita ayuda con este recurso en su idioma, póngase en contacto con llse Chavez Maldonado en ichavezmaldonado@cherrycreekschools.org, Rosa Han en rhan4@cherrycreekschools.org, Helena Gognat en hgognat@cherrycreekschools.org o Milagro Nuanes en mnuanes@cherrycreekschools.org

### Vietnamese:

Vui lòng liên hệ với Thuý Ngọc tại <u>Lchung2@cherrycreekschools.org</u> để được hỗ trợ về tài nguyên này bằng tiếng Việt.