

# FIRESIDE CHAT

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**March 21, 2025**

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## **Message from Mrs. Smetzer**

Dear Falcon families!

Thank you to our families who attended our PTO meeting this week and to our numerous parent and family committees who are currently working at putting together our schoolwide STEM fair and already planning out our 5th grade continuation event. We truly could not operate the way we do without our parent volunteers, so thank you for giving your time to our school.

Reminder that we begin CMAS testing the week of April 7. Thank you for prioritizing these assessments, as we are measured at the district and state level by our student achievement and growth on these tests. Please see [this schedule](#) for exact times that your 3rd-5th grade student will be assessed.

I hope you enjoy your spring break. Our teachers and staff are looking forward to the time with their friends and families as an opportunity to recharge and reset. My family will be spending a few days skiing whereby my husband and daughters will all fly by me down the mountain and wait patiently for me to join them.

Kristen

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## PTO News

### Join the PTO Board for 2025/26!

We're looking for a treasurer, communications co-chair, and a CPA with nonprofit experience. Interested? Contact Kelly Landen at [chairfiresidepto@gmail.com](mailto:chairfiresidepto@gmail.com) or apply [HERE](#) by 4/1.

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### Falcon Running Club

Calling all Fireside Falcon runners! Running Club is starting up on **Fridays from 7:30-7:50am, April 11 through May 9**. [Follow this link to sign up and complete permission form](#) and for more info. Reach out to Sara Reid ([Sara.m.reid@gmail.com](mailto:Sara.m.reid@gmail.com)), or Kate Dunlap ([Dunlapcr@gmail.com](mailto:Dunlapcr@gmail.com)) with any questions. Let's run!

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### Dining for Dollars - Lucky Pie and Sweet Cow

Stop by Lucky Pie or Sweet Cow **all day on April 9th** for mouthwatering pizza and delicious ice cream—all while giving back to Fireside! There will be raffle prizes and giveaways (free ice cream, hats, and stickers). Make sure to mention Fireside!

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## FNN (Falcon News Network)

Our Falcon news reporters have been hard at work for the month of March!

A huge shout out to our February and March reporters: Josephine Baczek, Miles Beckwith, Tim Bodin, Hazel Fearnow, Maya Macabasco, Jence Martin, Addison McCurdy, Avery Roth, Anniston Scott, James Simon, and Ellie Teater

Enjoy our March edition of Falcon News Network here:

[FNN: March Edition](#)

[FIRE. MATH. EPISODE](#)

We couldn't be more proud!  
Michelle Mattocks and Jamie Roth

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## STEM Fair

### Fireside Scientists and Engineers

If you are participating in this year's STEM Fair (4/24) your application should have been turned in AND you should have received a confirmation email. **If you have not received a confirmation email, please email [janine.fitzgerald@bvsd.org](mailto:janine.fitzgerald@bvsd.org) with your student's name and grade.** Thank you!

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## P.R.I.D.E. Awards

Congratulations to this week's P.R.I.D.E. award winners:

Bridger Paxton, William Madding, Maddy Comstock, & Zente Kovari.

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