



Casey Corner

Casey Middle School Weekly Newsletter | March 6th, 2026

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The Casey Connection is Casey Middle School's family newsletter. Typically, it will be sent out every Friday afternoon and will include important information about things happening at school. Our [school website](#) is also filled with lots of information to keep you updated and connected.



Message from Dr. Shaw

Happy Friday!!!! We have made it to another wonderful close of the week. I couldn't be happier to see some snow finally. We have officially been named a host for the [Sundance Film Festival](#). Our district team has been working hard to ensure safety and logistics are well thought out to minimize disruptions when they are in the building.

Illness & Health- We are writing to share an important health update as flu season continues to impact our community. Colorado is currently experiencing a significant surge in flu cases this season, and we want to make sure you have the information you need to keep your family healthy and know when to keep your student home.

What's Happening in Colorado

According to UCHealth and the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE), this has been one of the most severe flu seasons in recent memory:

More than 3,200 hospital admissions in Colorado since October 2025

Flu positivity rates as high as 33% across the state

The current dominant strain – called the "K" subclade of Flu A – spreads faster and can cause more severe illness

Flu is hitting children especially hard this season

 Know the Symptoms

Flu symptoms come on suddenly and may include:

Fever and chills

Cough and sore throat

Runny or stuffy nose

Body aches and headache

Fatigue

Please take extra precautions if your family includes:

Children under age 5

Adults 65 and older

Pregnant women










Individuals with underlying health conditions (asthma, diabetes, heart disease, immune conditions)

These groups are at greater risk for serious illness and should speak with a healthcare provider as soon as symptoms begin.

We are committed to the health and well-being of every student and family in our Casey community. Thank you for your partnership in keeping our school healthy.

Until next time!!!! Dr. Wm. Bryant Shaw



Monday 3/9	Tuesday 3/10	Wednesday 3/11	Thursday 3/12	Friday 3/13
8 Period Day	8 Period Day	8 Period Day	Odd Block Day 1, 3, 5, 7	Even Block Day 2, 4, 6, 8
	 FC Cubs Boys Practice @ 3:45-5:00 pm	 A2A 3:45-4:30 pm	 FC Cubs Boys Practice @ 3:45-5:00 pm	 FC Cubs Girls Practice @ 3:45-5:00 pm
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	 A2A 3:45-4:30 pm		 FET Meeting 6-7:30pm	
	 6th Grade Registration Night 6-8pm			

Next week is Spirit Week!

SPIRIT WEEK



March 3/9 - 3/13



MONDAY

Career/College

dress in college gear or as your future career



TUESDAY

Twin Tuesday

Match, twin, dynamic duo with a group of friends

WEDNESDAY

Y2K Wednesday

Early 2000s wear



Teachers: Casey gear (vesties?)



THURSDAY

Color Wars

8th grade: black
7th grade: blue
6th Grade: white



FRIDAY

Pajama Day

Get comfy!



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Student Snacks

As a reminder, we ask families to please send an extra snack with their student when possible. As students get older, we encourage them to take responsibility for bringing what they need for the day. While we are always happy to support students in true emergencies, many daily snack requests are not related to food insecurity. Sending an extra snack from home helps minimize classroom disruptions and ensures students stay focused and ready to learn. Thank you for your support and partnership!

Clubs & Athletics 🎨

Registration For 6th/7th/8th Boys' and Girls' Soccer and Track Registration is Open

Clubs & Athletics ([more info](#))

- 6th, 7th, and 8th grade soccer registration is open and closes on March 11th. Our girls' season begins on March 23rd and our boys begin on March 25th.
- 6th, 7th, and 8th grade track registration is open and closes on March 4/1. The season begins on April 9th and runs through May 13th.

Sports require:

- [Arbiter registration](#) (Create an account and upload any documents you had in rSchool. Contact elizabeth.portillo@bvsd.org with questions)
- [CHSAA Physical Form](#). (page 4 needs to be submitted to the school)
- [RevTrak payment](#). Fees: \$125 (interscholastic), \$60 (intramural). Family max \$600.

*****All Interscholastic and Intramural sports require the student to complete and submit a medical physical in order to participate.**

*** If families need support with participation fees, please contact Brittney Gutierrez at brittney.gutierrez-me@bvsd.org or Ellie Portillo at elizabeth.portillo@bvsd.org

Battle of the Books

We're excited to kick off *Battle of the Books*! Many families may already be familiar with this BVSD program, which runs across grades K–12. This club fosters a love of reading by engaging students with great books and friendly competition.

This season, students will read **6 titles** and then “battle” with their peers.

- **District Battle:** Saturday, March 28
- **Regional Battle:** Saturday, April 18 in Loveland (for qualifying teams)

Teams will be formed at all grade levels, and meetings will be held **during lunch** so participation is easy and accessible. Students should bring their lunch, discuss books, and exchange copies weekly.

Meeting Times:

- **6th Grade** – A Lunch on Tuesday (starting 10/7) with Ms. Dickinson in C115
- **7th & 8th Grade** – B Lunch on Thursdays (starting 10/9) with Ms. Adams in the library
(If your student has A Lunch, we'll make it work!)

Questions?

Julie Dickinson julie.dickinson@bvsd.org

Jen Adams jennifer.adams@bvsd.org



PTA News

- **Next PTA Meeting:** Tuesday, April 7, 5:00–6:00 PM, School Cafe
- **Next Principal Coffee:** Monday, April 13, 9:00–9:30 AM, Library (*March cancelled*)
- **Casey Dining Out:** Fringe, Tuesday, March 10. Dine in or take out! Say you're with Casey
- **8th Grade Continuation Social Planning Committee:** Contact Ellie Geilhufe (egeilhufe@gmail.com) and/or Sam Penrose (sampenrose143@gmail.com) to join the committee. Help coordinate refreshments, decorations, and activities to make the social a memorable experience for our soon-to-be high schoolers.
- **Support the Casey PTA:** Many ways to give:
 - Contribute online via [GiveButter](#) (Venmo, PayPal, credit card, bank transfer)
 - Contribute online via [PayPal](#)
 - Drop off a check at the Casey front office (made out to *Casey Middle School PTA*)

Fringe

**Dine out or order in
to support Casey!**

**2900
Valmont
Road**

**March
10th**

**Say
you're
with
Casey**



Next Meeting Information

- **FET Meeting:** March 12th, 6:00–7:30 PM, School Cafe.
- **Cafecito with Shaw:** March 12th 5:30-6:00 PM, School Cafe

We will have childcare available as well. If you have questions, please reach out to Lily Lujan, our community liaison.

Our New Community Liaison

My name is Lily Lujan, the new Community Liaison here at Casey Middle School. Here is my schedule in case you need help filling out the BVSD benefits applications, remember this application is not only for free or reduced lunch—it also covers materials, computers, sports...fees.

My schedule is:

- **Monday:** 7:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
- **Thursday and Friday:** 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

My phone number is 720-561-4567

Email is ana.lujancastillo@bvsd.org.





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Counseling Corner

Please be sure to check in with your student to make sure they've completed their course selection forms! The course selection process will be closed after next week, and we will be busy getting things ready for next school year! Please reach out to your student's counselor if you have any questions or want to check their course selection form has been completed.

[Rising 7th Grade Course Selection Form](#) (to be completed by current 6th graders)

[Rising 8th Grade Course Selection Form](#) (to be completed by current 7th graders)

Students with last name A-L - Betty Delgado, betty.delgado@bvsd.org, 720-561-2775

Students with last name M-Z - Jen Valenzuela, jen.valenzuela-slige@bvsd.org, 720-561-2770

Crown Wellness

Casey Middle School has an ongoing partnership with the Crown Wellness Institute at the University of Colorado. Please check out the flyer below if your student would be interested in

participating in a FREE 6-week after-school Body Image Group and Leadership Program. Contact Jen Valenzuela if you have any questions or would like more information!



As You Are is a 6-week after-school program that uses discussion, reflection, and community activities to increase body confidence and leadership. Students learn skills to respond to unhealthy pressures about how girls and young women should appear. As You Are was collaboratively designed by BVSD students and CU Boulder researchers and is a peer-led program, guided by CU Boulder undergraduate students and staff.

Where Renée Crown Wellness Institute at CU Boulder
1135 Broadway, Boulder, CO 80302

When Every Wednesday, March 4th - April 15th
excluding spring break | 4:45-6:15pm

Students who complete the program will receive a leadership certificate from the Renée Crown Wellness Institute at CU Boulder. All are welcome to join!



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MORE INFO



Community Announcements

Fundraiser Event at Boulder High

On March 11th, 2026, 360 leaders at Boulder High are hosting the St. Baldrick's fundraiser, to raise money for childhood cancer research. We would love to see some Casey pride at the event. If you and your student attend this fundraiser, take a selfie together and email it to aspen.crist@bvsd.org or mary.brown@bvsd.org, and your student will earn 10 PBIS points.

Summer School

If you receive an email for the summer school, do not forget to register your student before the spots are filled.

Here is the link: <https://www.bvsd.org/parents-students/academics/summer-learning>.

Contact Lily Lujan at 7205614567 if you need help registering your student.

LEAP is open for Applications

LEAP is open for applications! LEAP helps eligible Colorado families pay a portion of their winter heating costs. The average benefit is \$200 - \$1000. Visit cdhs.colorado.gov/leap or call 1-866-HEAT-HELP (432-8435) to learn more and apply. Applications accepted through April 30, 2026.

Casey Food Pantry

We are pleased to announce that Casey Middle School offers a Food Pantry to support our families in need. The pantry provides free food and basic toiletry items to families who need them. If you are interested in receiving support, please fill out the Google Form below. All information will be kept confidential.

[Casey Food Bag Weekly Sign-up](#)


The form opens on Sunday of every week and closes on Wednesday afternoon.

We are here for you and your family. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or need additional support.

Warmly,

Casey Middle School Team

Infinite Campus: Need to Change Information

 **Reminder:** Families can update their own email addresses and phone numbers directly in the Parent Portal.

If your **household address** or **emergency contact information** changes, please reach out to Liana Geroche at liana.gerochevizzcarr@bvsd.org directly so we can make sure your student's record is up to date.

Boulder Valley Regional Spelling Bee officials - volunteers needed

Parents and community members, we are looking for volunteers for this year's BVSD Regional Spelling Bee which will take place on March 7th in the New Vista High auditorium.

Volunteer Roles and duties include: On the day of the spelling bee, organizers are needed to do everything from checking in spellers, setting up the stage and physical event space, and receiving appeals and communicating them to the officials, to answering questions from parents, spellers and audience members. We cannot do this work without our amazing volunteers!

[Please fill out this interest form if you are interested.](#)

Donate Books & Help Casey Middle School!

Have books you've finished that are still in good shape? Donate them to **The Bookworm** in Boulder and ask that the credit be applied to **Casey Middle School's account!**

Your donation helps us:

- ✓ Refresh our classroom and library collections
- ✓ Support student literacy
- ✓ Partner with a local business
- ✓ Promote sustainability

Who: Anyone with gently used books

Where: The Bookworm – 3175 28th Street, Boulder

When: Mon–Fri 10–6 | Sat 10–5 | Sun Closed

It's an easy, eco-friendly way to support Casey students – and a win-win for everyone! 

Celebrate Our Public Libraries!

We are so fortunate to have fantastic public libraries in our community! With the opening of the newest branch—**The NoBo Library in North Boulder**—our local library system has expanded its events and programming for families outside of school hours.

There's truly something for everyone—**engaging activities for all age groups**, and best of all, **every event is free!**

Take a few moments to check out the **Boulder Public Library Newsletter** and consider joining in the fun. It's a great way to stay connected, learn, and explore as a family!



BOULDER
PUBLIC LIBRARY



Classroom Supply Donations Welcome!

Our school is always in need of essential supplies to keep our classrooms running smoothly. If you're able to contribute, we kindly ask families to consider donating any of the following items to support our students and teachers.

Donations can be **dropped off at the front office anytime during school hours**. Every item makes a difference and helps us create a better learning environment for our students.

Thank you for supporting our school community! ❤️

📄 Requested Supplies Include:



Tissues / Kleenex



Hand Sanitizer



White Copy Paper



Black Expo Markers



#2 Pencils



Wide Ruled Lined Paper

🍽️✅ Free & Reduced Benefits

We are grateful that all students have access to free breakfast and lunch each day at school. Even though breakfast and lunch is now free, it is still very important that all our families complete the Free & Reduced Price School Meal application, as it waives and reduces fees (including athletics/activities and school technology fees) district-wide for many families, can impact transportation for some families, can provide schools with more resources and could possibly increase funding for schools.

This application can be completed online through our parent portal on [Infinite Campus](#). Our community liaison is also available to meet with families and help them fill out the application. If you would like to schedule a time to get help with the application, please contact our community liaison Lily Lujan (ana.lujancastillo@bvsd.org or 720-561-4567).

Ways you can help Casey Middle School

King Soopers

[Register](#) your King Soopers card online and you can choose Casey to be the recipient of some extra cash from King Soopers. This does not interfere with fuel points!



Longmont Dairy Milk Caps

If you get Longmont Dairy products, bring your caps to Casey. There is a drop location in the office to collect them. We receive 5 cents per cap!



? Ask an Administrator

Casey's Administration team would like to hear from you! Are there questions or wonderings that you have regarding the functioning of the school or decisions made? Ask your question here and we will either reach out to you directly or answer your questions through an FAQ in future newsletters. We look forward to hearing your questions and connecting with you.

FAQ

Casey Middle School Bell Schedule

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BVSD Academic Calendar 2025-2026



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