

MOOSE TRAX



Dear Parents,

This year is off to a fast start! We have been assessing students, collecting data, and designing individual academic plans to meet the needs of our children. The Cherry Creek School District uses the Colorado Academic Standards (CAS) to identify priority standards at each grade level. The purpose of the priority standards is to align all school expectations and what is “guaranteed” at each grade level. Studies have shown that the number one factor in improving student achievement is having a guaranteed and viable curriculum. We are constantly working to align our instruction in all subject areas so that our academic program is scaffolded preK-5.

The state uses the CMAS (Colorado Measures of Academic Success) to measure how students are doing learning the state standards. The CMAS is given in third, fourth, and fifth grade and measures reading, writing (ELA), MATH, and SCIENCE in 5th grade. Altitude Elementary continues to have our students achieve at the highest levels in the state and we, once again, are in the TOP 3% of all Colorado schools! This success happens because of the hard work and dedication of all our teachers preK through fifth grade and all our support staff that make sure we are doing our best meeting our students academic, social, and emotional needs. We also could not reach this level without our supportive community and parents. Thank you for your continued support of our high expectations. Not only do our students learn and grow at high levels, but they also have fun learning and love to come to school. This is and continues to be the VISION of Altitude Elementary School! Dream It, Believe It, and Do It!

The 2026 School Performance Frameworks (SPF) will be released by the state very soon. The SPF measures a school’s academic performance and growth of students on the CMAS. Our SPF score is not only one of the highest in the Cherry Creek School District, but also in the state of Colorado! We continue to score above the 90 percentile. Official scores will be released by the Colorado Department of Education very soon. Please thank your teachers for the amazing job they do with our students!

The Booster Moose Fun Run was amazing this year! Our largest and main fundraiser of the year was Thursday, September 3 and we have almost hit our \$80,000 goal! There is still time to help us hit our goal! The Booster theme supports our school-wide character values of Responsibility, Integrity, Service, and Empathy (RISE). Our focus this year will be adding materials to our Integrated Arts program (STEAM, PE, Art, Music, and Global Citizenship) and we will hopefully be able to add our final playground apparatus to the K-2 playground. Our PTCO also helps us with teacher grants, transportation for field trips, and much more to help our school offer fantastic experiences for our students. Thank you for your support of our staff, families, community, and, more importantly our STUDENTS!

Our PTCO, Parent, Teacher, Community Organization holds many events during the school year. These events are meant to bring our Altitude School Community together and reinforce to our children that school is important and a fun place to be.

Thank you for participating in our future event coming soon! The Carnival and Trunk or Treat are right around the corner!

Again, thank you for participating in your child’s goal setting conferences and for watching our Back-to-School Night videos available [HERE](#) on our website! The home-school partnership is important and helps get the year off to a great start!

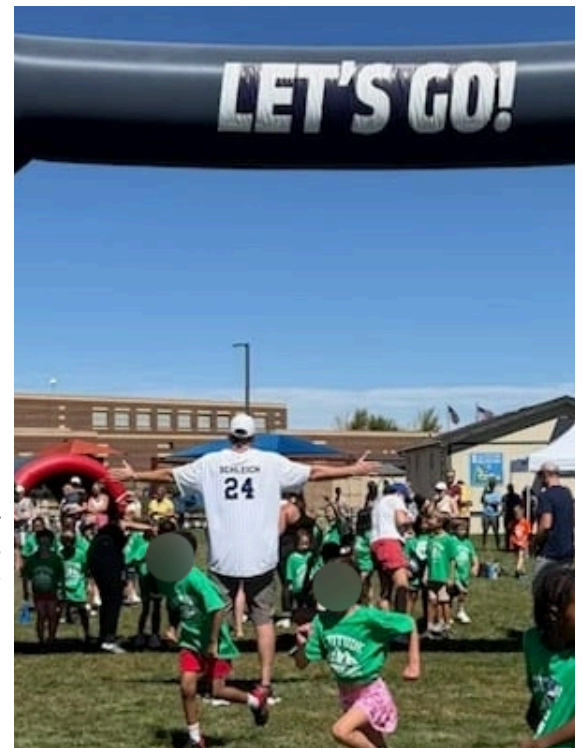
It is a great year to be a MOOSE!

Scott

Fun Run Update:

OUR ALTITUDE COMMUNITY HAS RECEIVED PLEDGES FROM ALL 50 STATES!

Sooooo now Mr. Schleich, Mr. Remien, Mr. Hay, Mr. Christensen, Mr. Rios, Mr. Grogan, and Mr. Kerr will have their haircut just like in the movie Major League to go along with our baseball theme this school year! Mrs. Bruton and Mr. Lowy will do punk rock hairstyles as well! Stay tuned for the date and pictures to follow!





Dates to Remember

9/7 - No School - Labor Day

9/8 & 9/9 - Picture Day

9/9 - 5:30p Watch D.O.G.S event

9/16 - 6-9pm Spirit Night @ Dairy Queen

9/18 - No School - Staff Development Day

9/21 & 9/22 - Hearing Screening

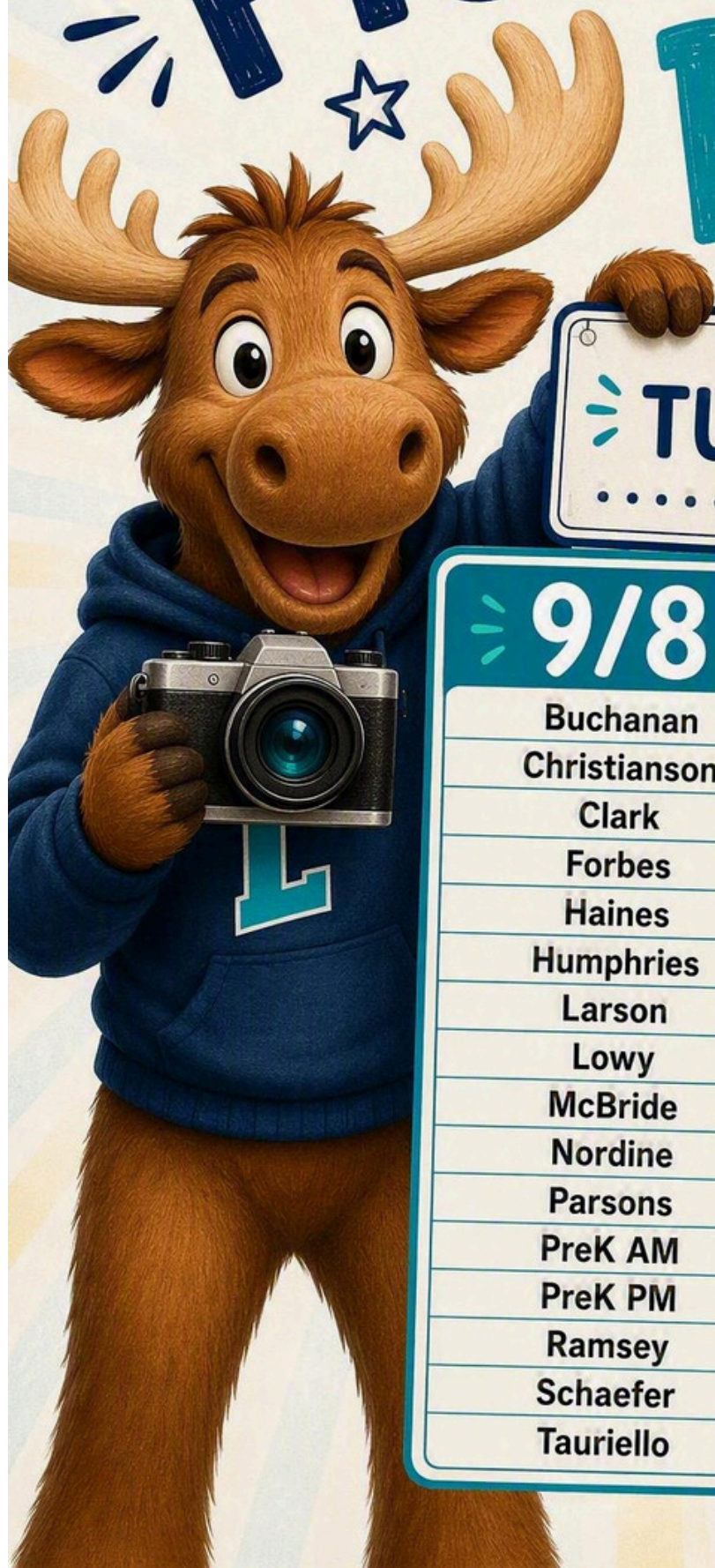
9/24 - Vision Screening

9/25 - 5-7p PTCO Carnival

9/30 - 6pm PTCO General Meeting



PICTURE DAY!



TUES & WEDS

9/8

Buchanan
Christianson
Clark
Forbes
Haines
Humphries
Larson
Lowy
McBride
Nordine
Parsons
PreK AM
PreK PM
Ramsey
Schaefer
Tauriello

9/9

Christensen
Davis
Derrick
Echols
Engdahl
Grogan
Herrera
McGoff
Parker
Pearne
Rios
Smith
Snyder

Calling all dads, grandads, uncles,
and other male father-figures
interested in volunteering!



Altitude

KICK-OFF Event

September 9th

5:30pm-8:00pm

@ Southshore Lighthouse



Enjoy pizza, beverages, activities and NFL Kickoff!
5:30pm-8:00pm



Spirit Night @ Dairy Queen

SEPTEMBER 16 | 6 PM - 9 PM



ALTITUDE ELEMENTARY

CARNIVAL

Buy Tickets
HERE



SEPT. 25th

5-7 PM

Altitude Elementary School

\$16 Before Sep 21
\$21 After Sep 21
& At the Door

EACH TICKET INCLUDES:

- UNLIMITED GAMES
- DUNK TANK TICKETS
- COTTON CANDY
- INFLATABLE GAMES
- FACE PAINTING
- FAIRY HAIR & COLOR



Games



Face Painting



Special Guests



Food Trucks



Dunk Tank

TICKET

**Carnival
Volunteers
Needed!**



MOOSE TRAX



PICK UP & DROP OFF ROUTINES

One of our Altitude goals is providing a safe environment where teachers can teach, and students can learn. For students to reach their academic potential, it is important for students to feel safe in the school environment. The aspects of school safety include students feeling safe on their way to and from school. **Please do not leave cars unattended in the drop off/pick up lanes** so we can keep cars moving and please **keep children off the playground before and after school**. This will help us make sure that all students are accounted for and those students that are not picked up will be brought to the office to call home. It takes an effort from everyone to help make Altitude a safe and inviting place for students. **-Please, DO NOT bring your pets on school grounds (even very small pets)!** We have several students allergic to pet hair and a few students who have been attacked by dogs in the past. Thank you for helping us create a safe environment for our students.

-We been asked by transportation to remind parents and students to stay on the sidewalk when walking around the bus loop. We have had families walk across the bus loop when busses are pulling in and the bus drivers are having a tough time seeing little ones when the morning sun is out. **Please stay on the sidewalk.**

MORNING DROP OFF

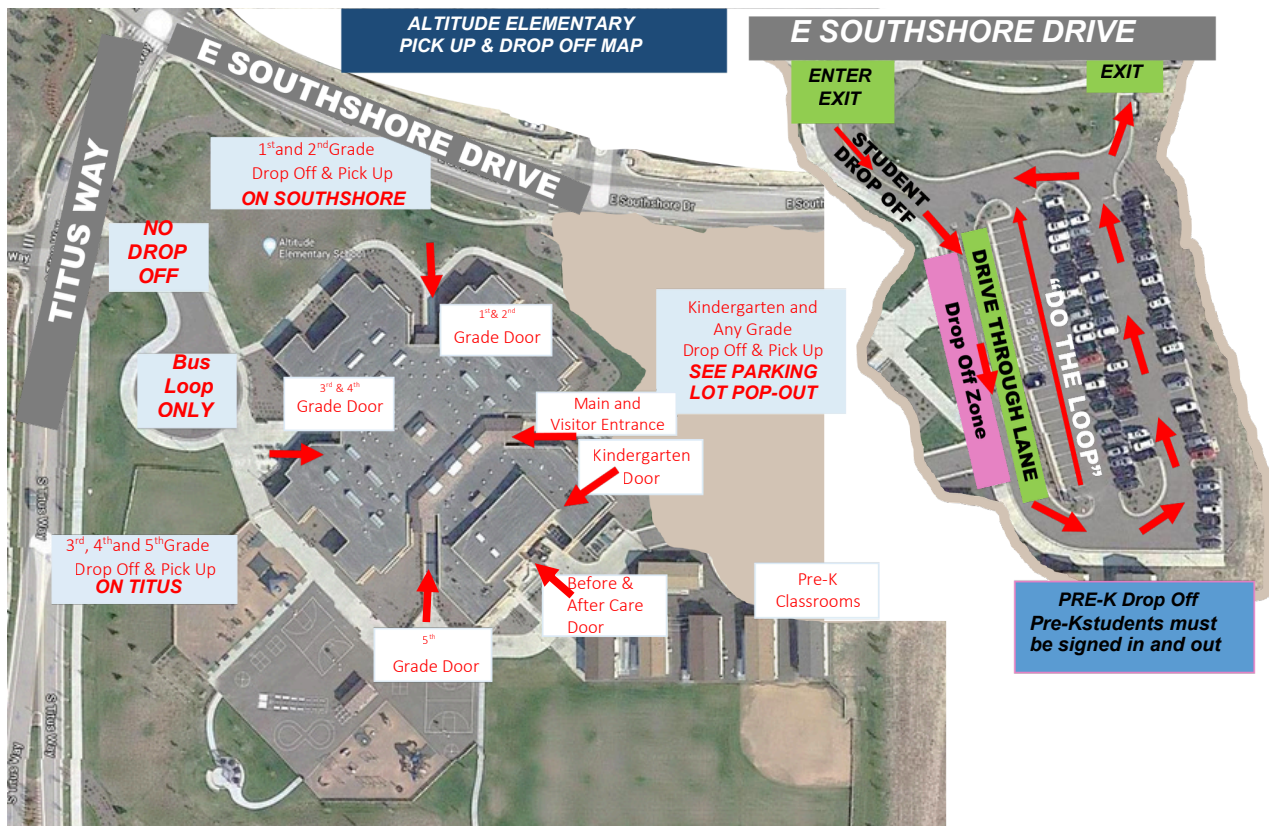
Remember there is no supervision until 7:40 am. Please pull all the way forward in the front drop off lane and If you notice space in the front, you can pull around the stopped traffic and pull back into the drop off lane. Students can go in the main entrance when it is below 20 degrees and/or after 7:55 am so they are not late. Otherwise, students should enter through their grade level door. Please stay in the car and have your child sit on the passenger side for easy drop off.

AFTERNOON PICK UP

Please "do the loop" in the front lot while waiting for a spot to open in the pickup lane. Stopping in the drive through lane backs up the traffic. There is no stopping in the drive through (left lane). Please go around the parking lot loop, sometimes more than once, until a spot opens along the curb. Pull all the way forward, remain with your vehicle, and we will help load students into the car on the passenger side.

We recommend dropping off and picking up 3rd through 5th grade students on Titus St along the curb or plan to meet in the neighborhood. You can also use the front drop off/pick up lane in the main parking lot. 1st and 2nd grade students can be dropped off along the curb on E Southshore Dr or in the front parking lot drop off/pick up lane as well. Please make sure your student and teacher know where to go to find you.

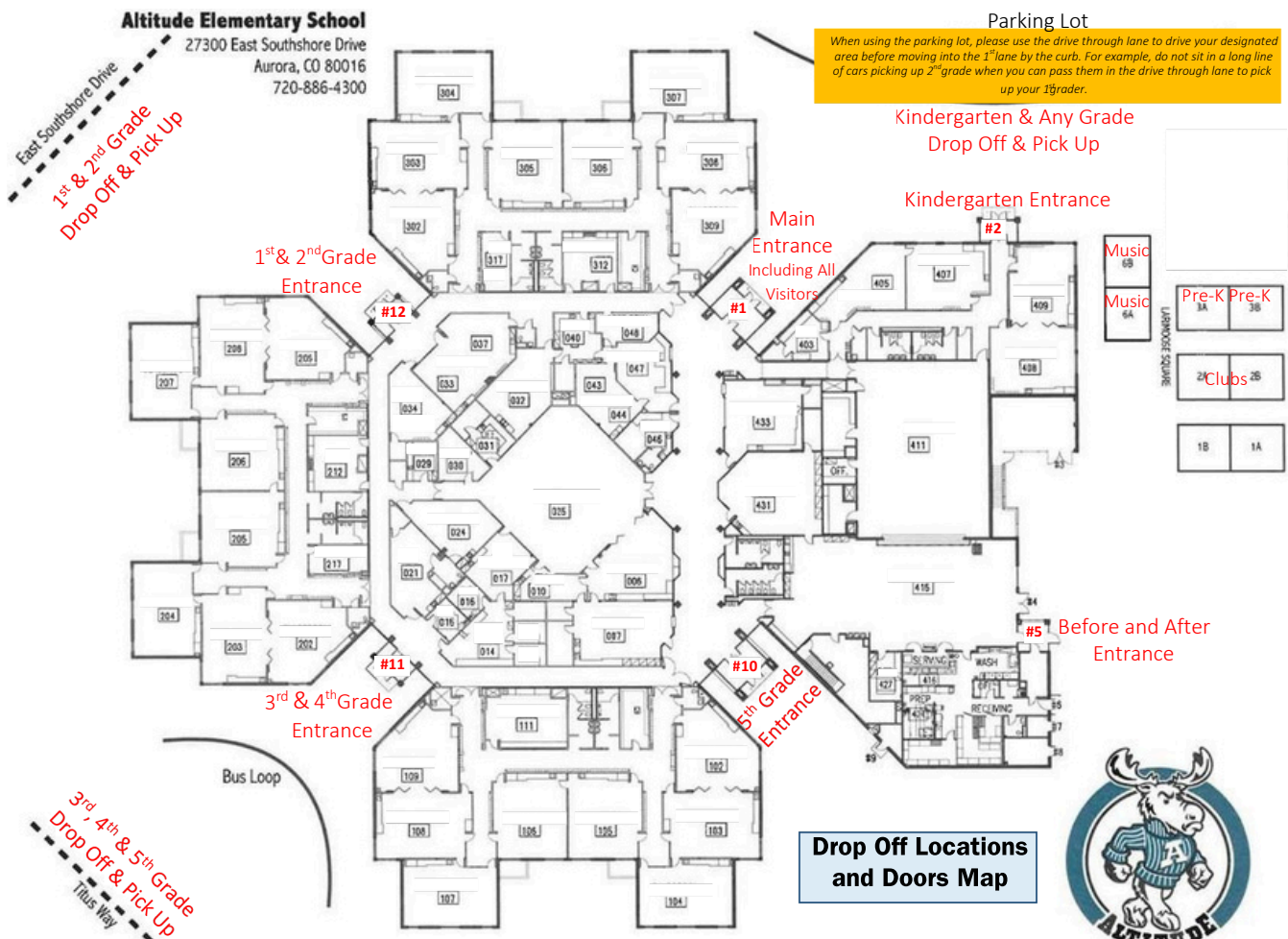
Please be patient and follow the rules of the road. Drive slowly, do not do U-turns around school or stop at the crosswalks. Only cross the street at designated crosswalks and not in the middle of the road.



- Arrive 7:40-7:55 am (Pre-K 7:50-8:00 and 11:50-11:55)
- Exit 2:45 pm (Pre-K AM 10:50)
- Students will enter and exit out of their grade level door
- There is a drop off/ pick up lane and drive through lane
- There are 2 exits out of the parking lot
- Students may come in the front door after 7:55am or it is below 20 degrees

- Bike Racks are by the 3rd/4th grade door. Bikes must be walked on school grounds
- Please do not play on the playground before or after school (supervision). Daycare has priority on the playground until 6pm.
- No vehicles are allowed in the BUS LOOP

Updated 6.4.2025



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REGISTRATION ENDS ON:
SEPTEMBER 8TH
REGISTER AT

WWW.GIRLSONTHERUNROCKIES.ORG

FALL SEASON RUNS FROM
SEPTEMBER 8TH-NOVEMBER 15TH

3RD, 4TH AND 5TH
GRADE GIRLS!

GIRLS ON THE RUN!



Coach Christianson
Coach Green
Coach Tauriello
Coach Waddingham

Practices will be held on
Tuesdays and Thursdays
from 2:45-4:00pm



JOIN THE **MINI COUGARS** DANCE TEAM!

Cherokee Trail High School Area
Aurora, CO



REGISTRATION IS OPEN

scan QR code to register



SEPTEMBER - MAY 2ND

WEDNESDAYS

Grades K-5 6:15-7:15

*Learn technique, cheers, and multiple dances! Dancers will
perform at two high school-affiliated events.*

COST

\$100 per month
for eight months
(includes bag &
t-shirt)

Additional Cost

Bundle option
\$160 OR A-La-
Carte pricing for
return members.

SHOWCASE

Additional Cost
Participation in
showcase is
optional

LOCATION

Locations will be
announced In August
due to facility rental
timelines. All
programs will be held
In their feeder area.

Visit www.spark-dance.com to register!

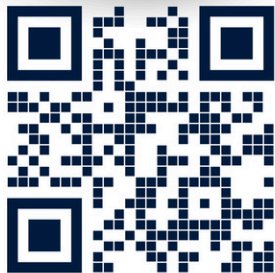
SEPTEMBER

DONATION DRIVE

CHEROKEE TRAIL FEEDER AREA

ALTITUDE, BLACK FOREST HILLS, BUFFALO TRAIL, COYOTE HILLS
PINE RIDGE, WOODLAND, FOX RIDGE, INFINITY & CHEROKEE TRAIL

DONATIONS
ACCEPTED UNTIL
SEPTEMBER 30



SUPPORT
CCSD RESOURCE PANTRIES

COLLECTING INDIVIDUALLY PACKAGED SNACKS,
TOILETRIES, AND SHELF-STABLE FOOD ITEMS





SAVE THE DATE

STEAM -A- PALOOZA X



November 7, 2026

Cherry Creek Innovation Campus

STEAM-a-Palooza is a Cherry Creek School District event that showcases STEAM opportunities and projects. Each year hundreds of students, teachers, and parents attend this free event!



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Cherry Creek Schools
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Cherry Creek Schools

Long-Range Facility Planning Committee is Accepting Applications

Are you interested in the future of the Cherry Creek School District? Would you like to be involved with long-range planning for schools and other facilities? Then consider volunteering for the District's Long-Range Facility Planning Committee.

This group of community members and district employees evaluates issues including new construction, renovation of existing facilities, attendance boundaries, Bond impacts, and future planning. The group advises the Board of Education and recommends cost-effective plans for capital facilities.

The Long-Range Facility Planning Committee currently openings in a number of Board of Education Director Districts and are looking for engaged parents, guardians, and community members who are interested in helping shape the future of our schools. Applications are due by September 30.

More information about this volunteer opportunity is available here:

[**Board of Education policy BDF R-5.**](#)

If you are interested in serving on the Long-Range Facility Planning Committee, please complete the application by September 30th and return it to [**planning@cherrycreekschools.org**](mailto:planning@cherrycreekschools.org).

[**Apply Now!**](#)



LEARN MORE

[**Long Range Facility Planning Committee**](#)



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Need Help Enrolling in Health First Colorado (Medicaid) or CHP+?

Helping Cherry Creek Schools families access affordable health coverage and connect with available community resources.

Services Include:



- Health First Colorado (Medicaid) applications
- CHP+ applications and enrollment
- Health coverage renewals
- PEAK account setup and assistance
- Eligibility guidance and required document support
- Referrals to community health and family resources

**Scan to make an
appointment**



Language Assistance Available!

Interpretation and translation services are available to help families in their preferred language.

Contact Information



Qazafie Mehrzad

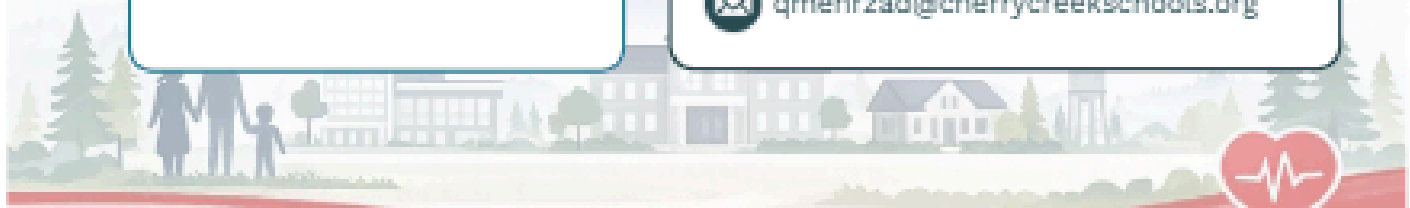
Student & Family Resources Outreach Liaison



720-886-7069



qmehrzad@cherrycreekschools.org





SCHOOL BREAKFAST & LUNCH: FREE FOR ALL STUDENTS

- In the state of Colorado, public school students are not charged for breakfast or lunch.
- Even though school meals are free for all students, part of our school and district funding is based on the number of students who qualify for meal benefits (using national income guidelines). In addition, there are other benefits if you complete the application and qualify for meal benefits. Click [HERE](#), to learn more about the benefits of applying for free/reduced lunch as well as the income qualifications.
 - There is no income verification required for the free and reduced meal application. All information is "on your honor."
 - If you would like to apply for free/reduced lunch, please click the links below
 - Be sure to read the entire "Getting Started Page", then click the "Begin Application Process" button near the bottom left of the page.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1rVvqYYBYfeLPjTh5pDG_8GHghCGNewFA/view

<https://www.myschoolapps.com/Home/PickDistrict>

ENGLISH CLASSES

FreetoparentsinCherryCreekSchoolDistrict



REGISTER HERE



CHERRYCREEK HIGHSCHOOL

September15th,2026 Dec.172026

DAYS - TUESDAY AND THURSDAY

TIME - 5:30 - 8:00 PM

Instructor - Angela Reyes

Room: 302

OVERLAND HIGH SCHOOL

September14,2026 Dec.162026

DAYS - MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY

TIME - 5:30 - 8:00 PM

Instructor – Sean Beatty

Room:117A

SMOKY HILL HIGH SCHOOL

September14,2026 Dec.16th 2026

DAYS - MONDAYAND WEDNESDAY

TIME - 5:30 - 8:00 PM

Instructor – Shannon Breedlove

Room: I-31

EAGLECREST HIGH SCHOOL

September15,2024 Dec.17th2026

DAYS - TUESDAY AND THURSDAY

TIME - 5:30 - 8:00 PM

Instructor – Michelle Lapid

Room:W291

GRANDVIEW HIGH SCHOOL

September 15, 2026 – Dec 16th 2026

DAYS - MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY

TIME - 5:30 - 8:00 PM

Instructor – Melinda Krause

Room: V302

CHEROKEE TRAIL HIGH SCHOOL

September14,2026 Dec.162026

DAYS - MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY

TIME - 5:30 - 8:00 PM

Instructor – Veronica Middleton

Room: Cougar Resource Center

Contact: Marilyn Pelech

marilyn@thelearningsource.org

SIGN UP TODAY
FOR THE COOLEST

CHESS CLASS

ON THE PLANET*

*We can only speak for planet Earth

Kindergartners and new
chess players welcome!

Your brain is your superpower...

...are you ready to use it? Join the Chess Wizards community today for fun, friendship, and some serious chess skills. **All experience levels welcome.** We make chess fun for everyone!

Ready to make new friends and **amaze your parents?**

Chess Wizards offers challenging chess lessons, fun group activities, exciting tournaments, and more! If your child is brand-new to chess, we'll teach them the basics and get them playing right away. If they're a seasoned checkmate artist, they'll learn new ways to show their creativity on the chess board.

Class Information

School Name: **Altitude Elementary**

Dates: **9/14, 9/21, 9/28, 11/9, 11/16, 12/7**

Class Day and Time: **Mondays 2:45 -3:30 PM**

NO CLASS ON: **10/5, 10/12, 10/19, 10/26, 11/2, 11/23, 11/30**

Total # of Classes: **6**

Location: **Room TBD**

Price: **\$150**

Notes: **Open to student from Grade K- 5**

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or scan to
register



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SPANISH CLUB

FUN ENGAGING INTERACTIVE EFFECTIVE!



**GIVE YOUR CHILD THE GIFT OF TWO
LANGUAGES**

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES K-5TH GRADE
MONDAYS AFTER SCHOOL 2:45-3:30PM IN PERSON
MONDAYS AFTER SCHOOL 4:45-5:30 PM ONLINE



**MEET SPANISH TEACHER BY SCHOOL MAIN LOBBY RIGHT
AFTER SCHOOL WHEN IN PERSON CLASS 9/14-21-28, 11/9-16, 12/7,
1/11-25, 2/1-8, 3/22-29, 4/5-12-19**



ONLINE DATES: 10/5-19-26, 11/23-30, 12/14, 2/22, 3/8, 4/26,

ALL TEACHERS ARE BACKGROUND CHECKED!
 Spanish Enrichment is designed to allow children to
 explore the Spanish Language through 3 styles: Audio,
 visual and kinesthetic.
 We promote positive participation including
 interactive exercises with games; songs; sentences to
 practice and writing!



MONTHLY LEARNING JOURNEY

SEPTEMBER	Sounds of the letters, Vowels & Alphabet, songs.	ABC
OCTOBER	Traveling around the world, greetings.	Globe
NOVEMBER	Numbers, colors, times of the day.	123
DECEMBER	The clock, family members and songs.	Clock
JANUARY	The 5 senses, parts of the body, songs.	Hand
FEBRUARY	The seasons, months, and days of the week.	Calendar
MARCH	School and friends. Places around my town.	Schoolhouse
APRIL	Food, Kitchen, my house, clothes, and songs.	House
MAY	Toys, animals, shapes - bring your favorite toy.	Toy熊

YOU CAN REGISTER ON WEBSITE
WWW.SPANISHENRICHMENT.COM



OR BY PHONE
720-935-1977



OR VIA EMAIL
norma@spanishenrichment.com

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2026-2027 SCHOOL CALENDAR YEAR!

WILL BEGIN SEPTEMBER 14, 2026!

62 million Spanish speakers live in America, 11.6 million are bilingual. Spanish is the 3rd most widely spoken language in the world. Spanish is expected to be the 1st language of 50% of the population in America in 50 years!

SPANISH FACTS

STUDENT REGISTRATION FORM

PARENT'S FULL NAME(S): _____

PHONE: CELL: _____ WORK: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE & ZIP: _____

CHILD(REN'S) NAME(S): _____ GRADE: _____

NEW/RR STUDENT: _____ AFTER CARE: _____

ALLERGIES: _____

PAYMENT METHOD: CREDIT CARD: _____

AMOUNT PAID \$: _____

CREDIT CARD #: _____ EXP. DATE: _____

SECURITY NUMBER: _____ TODAY'S DATE: _____

I AUTHORIZE SPANISH ENRICHMENT, INC. TO DEBIT MY CREDIT CARD FOR ALL
 SESSIONS WITH FREE REGISTRATION FEE: _____ OR MONTHLY AUTO

DEBIT PLAN: _____

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A PARENT VOLUNTEER? YES: _____ NO: _____

WOULD YOU LIKE TO WORK FOR US AS A PART-TIME INSTRUCTOR WITH FREE

TUITION? YES: _____ NO: _____



WITHDRAWAL POLICY:

I AGREE TO NOTIFY SPANISH ENRICHMENT, INC. IN WRITING 2 WEEKS PRIOR TO THE MONTH YOUR CHILD IS WITHDRAWING FROM THE PROGRAM.
 IF NOT, YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THAT MONTH'S TUITION. THERE WOULD BE NO REFUNDS
 ONCE THE PROGRAM HAS STARTED:
 PARENT'S SIGNATURE: _____

CLASS DETAILS:

WEEKLY SPANISH CLASSES RUN FROM
 SEPTEMBER, THROUGH MAY 2027
 (EXCEPT SCHOOL CLOSURES & HOLIDAYS
 & PARENT TEACHERS CONFERENCES)

***MONTHLY TUITION
 HAS BEEN
 CALCULATED TO BE THE SAME
 AMOUNT EVERY MONTH \$67**



SNOW POLICY:

NO CLASS OR MAKEUP FOR SNOW DAYS. MAKEUP MAY BE ARRANGED AT
 ANOTHER LOCATION OR VIA ZOOM. **TEXT NORMA AT 720-935-1977.**

REGISTER NOW AT
50% OFF
 REGISTRATION PORTION
 AND ASK FOR OUR ADVANCED
 PAYMENT DISCOUNT OPTIONS

FEES:

***FIX MONTHLY PAYMENT \$67 PER STUDENT**
 ONE-TIME YEARLY REGISTRATION FEE \$100 PER
 STUDENT NOW DISCOUNTED @ 50% OFF OR \$50
**FULL OR SPLIT PAYMENT OPTION AVAILABLE
 WITH**
FREE REGISTRATION!!
FREE PRINTABLE PDF MATERIAL (parents will be
 responsible for printing pages)

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*Second graders and older folks are also super welcome in my studio.
Voice and guitar are available for the older crowd.

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