Welcome to Indian Ridge Elementary



Information Handbook

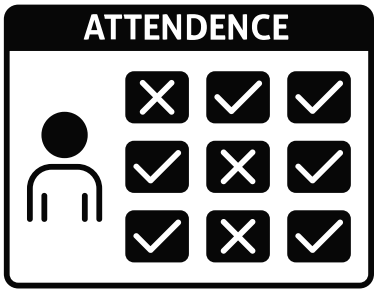
Important Phone Numbers



Main Office: 720-886-8400
Office hours: 7:00am-3:15pm
Nurse: 720-886-8405
Attendance Line: 720-886-8495
Before and After Care: 720-886-8459
Kitchen: 720-886-8460

School Website
www.cherrycreekschools.org/indianridge

Missing School?



Are you going to be late or out all day? Call the attendance line at 720-886-8495 or use the attendance form on our website.

Picking Up Early?

Need to pick your child up early? Come to the main doors and you will be directed to sign them out on the tablet.

- You **must have your ID** to check-out a student.
- You **must be listed in PowerSchool** as an approved pick-up person for the student.
- You **must be on-site before** students can be called from class.
- Please **allow enough time** prior to the appointment to avoid rushing. It takes time to get students dismissed from class.
- Please try to **avoid the last 20 minutes** of the school day when leaving early. It can be difficult to pull students quickly at that time of day.

Verkada Guest System and Student Check Out

ID is required for entry into all buildings and student check-out.

Verkada works most efficiently when visitors have a government-issued photo ID available at check-in. Please bring your ID every time you visit the school. We also require anyone listed as an emergency contact or authorized pick-up person for a student(s) to have their photo ID with them when picking up your child. This may cause delays, so please plan time for pick-ups.

One of the new features of Verkada is the ability for approved volunteers to use a QR code for check-in, helping to make the process quicker and more convenient. The system also tracks volunteer approvals, so only those with an approved volunteer application can receive a volunteer QR code.

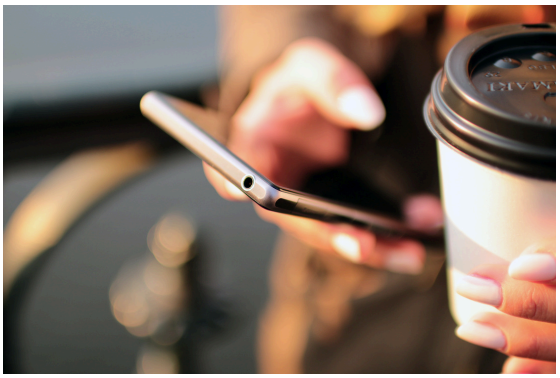
All Cherry Creek School District volunteers (including room parents, field trip chaperones, classroom volunteers, event helpers, and anyone volunteering in our school) are required to complete the district's volunteer application each school year.

Complete the 2026–2027 Volunteer Application here

Once your application has been approved, you will be able to check into Verkada as an approved volunteer.

Thank you for helping us keep our students and staff safe while making the check-in process as smooth as possible. We appreciate your partnership and look forward to seeing everyone soon!

Are you signed up to receive text messages?



Make sure you are getting emergency alerts and last-minute notifications from Indian Ridge and Cherry Creek Schools by allowing text messages. Text START CCSDTXT to 53291 to opt-in for text messages.



Can I pick-up this student?

To allow permission for someone to pick-up a student, go to the Guardian Update tile in your My.CherryCreek parent account. Include all adults (18 and older) that are authorized to pick-up your student(s). We cannot release your student(s) if the adult isn't on each student's contact list. If you have multiple student's, please update the list for each child to avoid any confusion at pick-up.

Is Your Student Too Sick for School?




Common symptoms of illness in students including fever, diarrhea, and vomiting should be fully resolved for 24 hours (without the use of medication) before a student should return to school.

There may be situations where public health determines more stringent return-to-school requirements. There are four main reasons for a student to stay home:

- The student could infect others with a contagious illness, either because of symptoms, a diagnosis, or recent exposure to a contagious illness.
- The student does not feel well enough to take part in usual activities. For example, a student is overly tired, fussy, or will not stop crying.
- A student needs more care than teachers and staff can give while still caring for the other students.
- The student has symptoms or an illness on the guidance list found on the district website, and staying home is required.

When to seek emergency medical attention:

- Trouble breathing
- Persistent pain or pressure in the chest
- Confusion
- Inability to wake or stay awake
- Pale, gray, or blue-colored skin, lips, or nail beds, depending on skin tone

Lunch Info

School breakfast and lunch are free for every Cherry Creek student.

Menus, payment information for snacks and all additional lunch info can be found at myschoolbucks.com or by clicking the MySchoolBucks tile in your My.CherryCreek parent account applications.



Having Lunch with Your student

Parents and family are welcome to eat with their student(s) during their grade level lunch time.

- **You must have your ID to enter the building**.
- If you bring food for your student, please do not share with any other students.
- If any photos are taken, please take care when posted to social media. A few parents have asked their children not be posted on the internet.

Birthday Treats

Birthday treats are a fun way to celebrate with classmates. We prefer not to have store-bought cupcakes with large amounts of bright icing. We have new flooring we don't want to stain.

- Please check with your teacher for suggestions, time to bring treats, and any allergy concerns.
- Please refrain from bringing balloons, decorations, or gift bags.
- Please send treats that your student can carry to the classroom themselves or leave them in the cubby station at the front of the school.

Prohibited items

While these activities are fun to play, please leave the equipment at home to use after school and on the weekends. Some examples of items that should be left at home are:

- Baseball bats
- Baseballs and other hard balls
- Sleds
- Hockey and lacrosse sticks





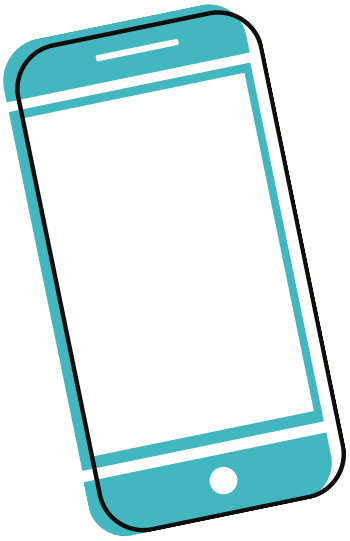


Smart Devices in School

Some students have electronic devices (including but not limited to smartphones, smartwatches, Bluetooth earbuds) with them during the day. All devices should be silenced and kept in the student's backpack. Devices are **NOT** to be used during the school day 8AM-2:45PM.

If a student is texting, calling, or using the device it will be taken away until the end of the school day. If the use of the device continues to be a problem, it will be required that the device is left at home.

All calls home during school hours should be made by or with a staff member such as a teacher, the Office, or the Nurse.







Crosswalk & Street Safety





- When crossing the street, cross **ONLY** at the crosswalks, for everyone's safety.
- Bikes and scooters **MUST** be dismounted and walked through crosswalks.
- Please follow the direction of all crossing guards. Students will make it on time to class. Your patience is appreciated.
- **U-Turns are ILLEGAL** in a school zone. You will be ticketed for the offense.
- Safety concerns can be sent to the main office and will be turned over to the Arapahoe Sheriff's Office.

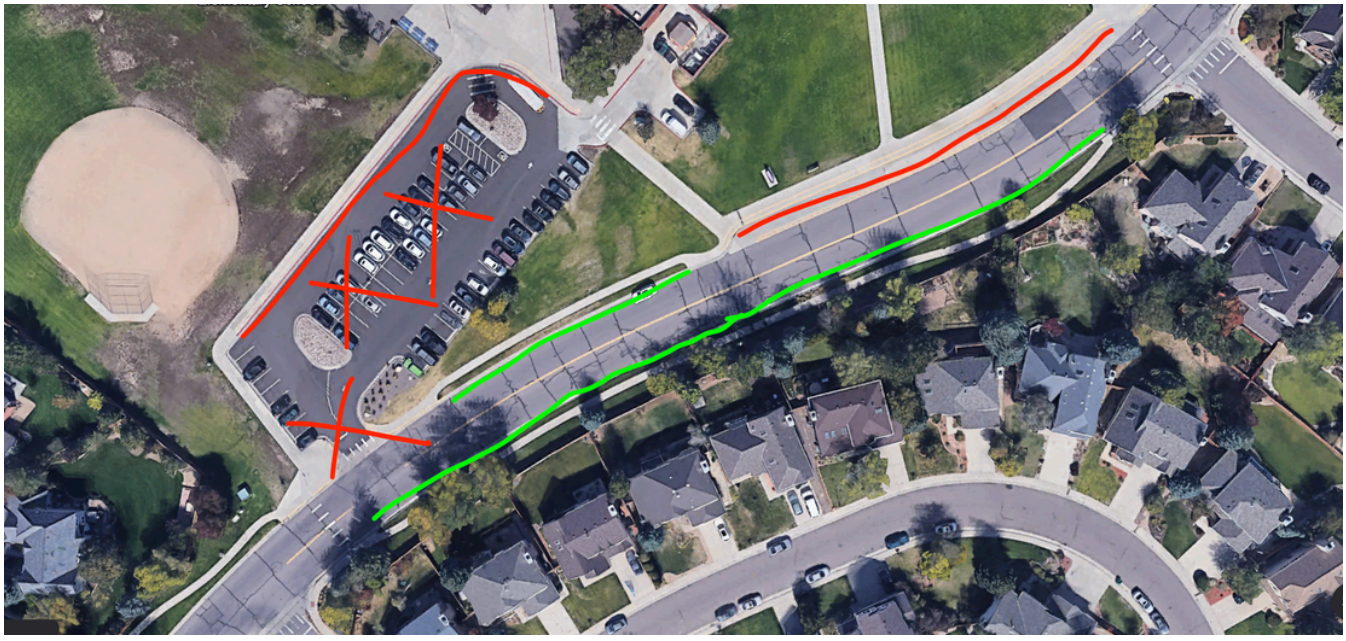




Don't Get a Ticket!



We kindly ask that you do not park in the parking lot during drop-off and pick-up times unless there is a medical need. There is also **NO PARKING** in assigned spots except for whom the spot is assigned to. The drop-off lane in front of the school is also a **NO PARKING ZONE**. Please help keep traffic moving by parking in approved places only.



Red areas are No Parking. Green areas are available for parking.

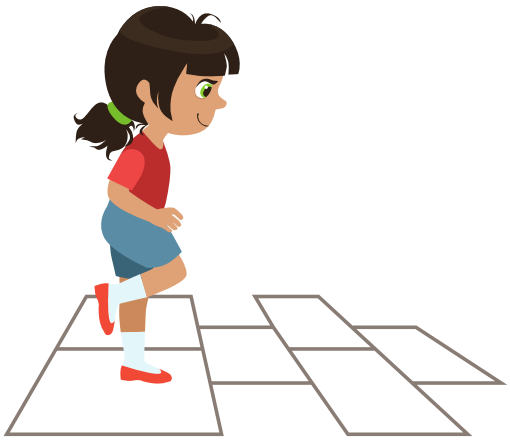
Playground rules

During the school day, the playground is only for staff-supervised student recess.

Help keep all students safe by staying off the playground during the school day, even with younger siblings.

Students must be supervised on the playground after school. Unsupervised students will be brought to the office, until a parent picks them up.





After School Activities

Below are clubs that may be offered during the year. Please note that the club selection may change at any time.

- Choir
- Math
- Intramurals
- Drama
- Battle of the Books
- Spanish Club

Parents can meet their student(s) for pick-up at the front of the school when the after school activity is over. Once the club has started, all questions about the club should be directed to the instructor or teacher of the club.



Late Start/Snow Day

In the event of a weather delay or closure, parents will be notified via the Connect automated message system.

We also will post the notification on our district and school websites, Facebook, Twitter and notify the local news stations.

Elementary school delay is 60 minutes. School begins at 9AM on delayed days.

Breakfast is still served on late/delayed start days.



Dress Code

Please make an intentional effort to dress for the school environment. Students should wear clothes appropriate for learning.

- Hats and hoods should be removed in the building but may be worn during recess.
- Shorts and skirts must be an appropriate length for the school environment.
- Shirts should extend to pants with shoulders at rest without exposing the midriff.
- Clothing promoting inappropriate language, violence, drugs, alcohol, or tobacco products is prohibited.



Lost & Found

Lost & Found is located at the front doors. A few times a year we will empty our lost and found and donate the remaining items. Please send a water bottle **EVERY DAY** with your student. We have bottle filler and water fountains

Please **label all student items** that come to school. If they have names, we can return them to the student. This includes:

- Water bottles
- Lunch boxes
- Sweaters
- Jackets
- Hats and more!



Are You Passionate About Our School?









Consider joining a committee on PTO.
Our PTO raises funds all year round to help fund student programs, staffing and supplies.

Add Indian Ridge to your
King Soopers Rewards!

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Find out more at:



https://sites.google.com/view/indianridgepto

Disc Golf Course

Basic Rules of Play for Disc Golf

The object of disc golf is to have fun and complete the course in the fewest throws. Safety and courtesy are important. Be careful of plants, animals, and other visitors. Throw only when the landing area is clear of people including other players.

- Start from the tee area. Begin each hole from the designated teeing area. Your first throw must be released from within the teeing area and behind its front edge.
- Subsequent shorts are played from behind the spot where the previous throw came to rest. This spot is called the lie. If your disc comes to rest in a tree or a bush, the lie is the spot on the ground directly below.
- A run-up and follow-through are generally allowed. But the player must release the disc before stepping past the lie.
- A put is a throw from within 10 meters (32.8ft) of the target. When putting you must not step past your lie until the disc comes to rest.
- The hole is completed when the disc comes to rest in the basket or chains. The hole is not completed if the disc is resting on top of the target.
- If a shot goes out-of-bounds, play from either the last in-bounds location with a +1-stroke penalty or retee with a +1-stroke penalty.

