

# ZACH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



**Motto:** "Together We Inspire"

**Vision:** Ensure high levels of learning for all students.

**Mission:** We commit to do our best to encourage, inspire and meet each child's needs.



*Picture taken Friday, September 30th with our 'Sko Ridge shirts. We love our Zach school family!*

## ***December 8th Memo***

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### **Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup>**

- 9:40-10:40am Book Bowl Competition-3rd; cafeteria, room 213

### **Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>**

- PTO Treats for Staff
- December Fire drill
- 9:40-10:40am Book Bowl Competition-3rd; cafeteria, room 213

### **Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>**

- 1:20-2:20pm Book Bowl Competition-4th; cafeteria, room 213

### **Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>**

- **Last Day for SOC Applications for 1st Round**
- 1:20-2:20pm Book Bowl Competition-4th; cafeteria, room 213

### **Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup>**

- **Spirit & Sparkle Spirit Day**
- 9am-4pm: State Capitol Field Trip-4th Grade

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## New Information

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### **Book Fair**

The Book Fair Committee would like to thank the Zach community for an outstanding book fair! We sold over \$9,000 worth of books, which gives our media center more than \$2,000 in funds for new technology. Special thanks to our volunteers, without whom we could not run this event. Want to be involved next year? Email [leslie.m.morrison@gmail.com](mailto:leslie.m.morrison@gmail.com).

### **Original Works Orders (Attachment)**

Please see attachment for more information.

### **Book Bowl:**

3rd and 4th grade book bowl competitions will be held this year December 12th, 13th, 14th, and 15th. Please consider volunteering as a judge or room coordinator by signing up here:

<https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/60b0b49aba62ea4ff2-book/66479562>

For Parents who would like to come and watch the Book Bowl competition, the viewing schedule is also listed in the above link.

### **Winter Performance Class in Music! (Attachment)**

Please see the attached letter if your student would like to participate in the annual Performance Class during music classes next week. This is a fun opportunity for students to share music they are making outside of school and an exciting way to wrap up our fall semester.

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## Reminders

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### **Music Performances for 2022-23 School Year (Attachment)**

Please see attachment for a complete list of music performances for the 2022-23 school year.

### **Staff Appreciation - Treat Yo'Elf**

Please help us spread some holiday cheer! The Holiday Treats Bar will be an event for all teachers and staff to enjoy on Tuesday, December 13th. Please note homemade food is welcome! If you are donating homemade food please share the recipe/ingredients. We are asking that all donations be dropped off at school before 8:30 am on Tuesday, December 13th. Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up. If you have any questions please contact Ozlem G. at 410-818-9199. Thanks for your continued support and Happy Holidays to all Zach families.

<https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/30E0948A8A62BA02-staff2>

### **PTO Information**

Interested in getting more involved with Zach Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)? Please consider signing up for a committee during the 2023 school year here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0B49ABA62EA4FF2-ptoactivities>

Any questions? Email us at [zachpto@gmail.com](mailto:zachpto@gmail.com) or visit us on the Zach PTO webpage at <https://zac.psdschools.org/pto-and-sac>.

Our next meeting will be on January 18th from 12:00 – 12:45 pm. This is a virtual meeting and all are welcome. Please find the link to join the meeting at: <https://zac.psdschools.org/pto-and-sac>.

### **Winter Needs**

Please complete this form if your student or family needs support or resources as our winter season approaches. You are also welcome to contact school counselor Rachel Fierro about this.

[Winter Needs Request](#)

### **Kinard Enrollment 2022-23 (Attachment)**

Please see flier for more information. Kinard is a choice school. All students wishing to attend must fill out a School of Choice Application to be considered. Please click on the link below to fill out the application.

<https://www.psdschools.org/schools/school-options-choice>

### **Preston Middle School Transition Events (Attachment)**

Please see flier for more information.

### **School of Choice**

If you would like to apply for school choice to attend Zach, the first round for school choice is November 1st-December 15th. Visit the PSD [School Choice Process](#) site for more information.

#### **Register to Volunteer**

PSD requires all persons volunteering in the classroom, be registered as volunteers. Please click on the link below to register.  
<https://www.psdschools.org/community/volunteers>

#### **Staff Favorites**

Some families were asking for our staff favorites list that went out each year. We apologize for not getting this out sooner for those that requested it. [Staff Favorites](#)

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### **Important Upcoming Dates**

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12/22-1/4: Winter Break  
1/10-1/20: MAP Testing 2nd - 5th grades  
1/17-1/23: ACCESS Testing

**Original Works** is coming soon!



## YOUR CHILD'S VERY OWN ARTWORK ON PRODUCTS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY CAN WEAR AND SHARE!

Dear Family and Friends,

Our school has once again teamed up with Original Works- the #1 art-based program in the country- to offer an incredibly special program that allows you to have your child's very own artwork reproduced onto a number of professional, full color products!

Your child created their artwork in school, using the regular art curriculum as the basis for their work of art. You will soon have the opportunity to order a variety of products with your child's own artwork featured on each and every product! These products range from magnets, mugs and mouse pads to t-shirts, key chains, and journals.

**Personalized Original Works flyers will be coming home in Friday Folders on October 28<sup>th</sup>!**  
All orders are placed on-line using your child's/children's personal image title and student code found on their individual flyer.

Original Works products make delightful keepsakes and unique gifts (Christmas, Birthdays, etc.). We are very excited to be participating in this unique program!

All Original Works proceeds directly support "The Arts" at Zach. Funds are used to purchase additional equipment and supplies to enrich ALL Specials classes and curriculum!

### Original Works Timeline - Mark your calendars now!

**Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>:** Ordering Information comes home in Friday Folders

**Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>:** Deadline for orders (On-line Gallery Closes)

**Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup>:** Products will be sent home from school

Please email Ms. Angie Sickels, Art Teacher, with questions: [asickels@psdschools.org](mailto:asickels@psdschools.org)

Dear Zach Families:

Hello! It's that time of year when many students are preparing music for winter concerts and recitals. I want to offer students a chance to perform for their classmates at school. If your student has a *prepared piece of music* they would like to perform for their classmates, they will have the opportunity to do so during their Music Special on December 12, 13, 14 or 15.

This is an *optional* activity! Students can perform if they have prepared a musical piece to sing or play; this is not the time to improvise on the music room piano—that's a different activity for another time.

I have a piano for students to play, and classroom ukuleles. If students play any other instrument, they will need to bring it with them to school. Students may bring their instruments to the music room when they come to school and pick them up when they leave. Music *does not* have to be memorized! Students may bring their music books to read from as they play or sing. Please do not plan to bring drum sets or DJ equipment. If your student plays these instruments, please contact me so we can set up an alternative performance—perhaps a video recording.

There is no need to sign up or register to participate. Students can just come to music class prepared to perform. 😊

Again, there is no pressure to participate—this is just a way for students to share music and a fun way to wrap up the semester.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Alyssa Johnson, Music Teacher

## **Music Performances 2022/2023**

Congratulations to our 4<sup>th</sup> Graders on a fantastic performance on Thursday evening, November 10<sup>th</sup>! You were amazing. I hope you enjoyed your performance as much as your audience did!

Please note on your calendar the remaining Music Performances for the school year:

Friday, November 18, 2022: Green Choir to perform National Anthem at Colorado Eagle's Game

Friday, December 9, 2022: Gold Choir to perform National Anthem at Colorado Eagle's Game

Thursday, January 26, 2023: 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Music Program 6:00 p.m. Zach Elementary Gym

Thursday, March 2, 2023: Green and Gold Choir Concert 6:00 p.m. Kinard MS Cafetorium

Thursday, March 30, 2023: 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Music Program 6:00 p.m. Zach Elementary Gym

Wednesday, May 3, 2023: Kindergarten Music Program 5:30 p.m. Fossil Ridge HS Auditorium

More information about each performance will go out to the performing groups and families as the time for their performance approaches. All performances are open to the whole Zach Community to attend. Thanks for your support of the Music Program at Zach Elementary. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Alyssa Johnson, Music Teacher & Choir Director  
ajohnson@psdschools.org



# KINARD

## Core Knowledge

### MIDDLE SCHOOL



## CORE KNOWLEDGE INFORMATION NIGHTS

Join Principal Lindsey Matkin to learn more about the curricular connection between our Core Knowledge Elementary Schools and Kinard Middle School.

Tues. 11/8 at Zach 6:30-7:30 PM  
Wed. 11/9 at Traut 6:30-7:30 PM  
Mon. 11/14 at Bethke 6:30- 7:30 PM

We welcome O'Dea families to join one of the presentations at Zach, Traut or Bethke.

## FRIDAY TALK & TOURS

Parents/Guardians meet with Kinard administrators for a brief presentation and tour of the school. If you're interested in joining a Friday Talk & Tour sign up online at the link below.

<https://tinyurl.com/FridayTalkAndTour>

Fri. 11/18 9:00- 10:30 AM  
Fri. 12/9 9:00-10:30 AM



## INCOMING 6TH GRADE FAMILY NIGHT

Our Incoming 6th Grade Family Night is designed for parents and 5th grade students to learn more about the Core Knowledge curriculum sequence, Kinard's culture, character education, parent partnership, wellness, student leadership programs, world language, STEM opportunities, athletics, clubs, and more!

**JOIN US: Thursday, Dec. 1st**  
**from 6:00 - 8:30 PM**



School Choice Application Deadline  
Thursday, 12/15/2022

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# EXCELLENCE



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**U.S. Dept. of Education  
Green Ribbon School**



**National Core  
Knowledge Foundation  
Visitation Site**



**State of Colorado  
John Irwin  
School of Excellence**



**PSD Healthy Schools  
Certified Platinum  
Wellness**



**Professional Learning  
Community at Work  
Model School**

## JOIN THE MUSTANG FAMILY!

**Enroll Now:** <https://psdschoolchoiceapplication.com>

**School Choice Deadline:** December 15, 2022



# PRESTON MIDDLE SCHOOL TRANSITION EVENTS

*Home of  
the Pumas*

## **Puma 101**

November 10, 2022      4:00-4:45 PM  
November 11, 2022      2:00- 2:45 PM

Come to Preston to meet our administrators, counselors, and teachers and learn about course offerings, daily schedule, clubs, athletics, and much more.

## **Connect with a Counselor**

February 2, 2023      5:00-5:45 PM

Hear from Preston counselors about what to expect as a 6th grader at Preston Middle School as well as tips and strategies for a successful transition to middle school.

## **Open House**

December 8, 2022      6:00-8:00 PM

Explore what makes Preston an incredible middle school. Families and students are invited to hear from Principal Amy Kirby, meet our amazing teachers and learn what the student experience is like in a STEM by Design environment.

## **5th Grade Welcome**



May 12, 2023      9:30-11:00 AM



Visit feeder middle schools. Our future Preston students get to experience Preston and build excitement to be a Puma!



CONNECT WITH @PRESTONSTEM



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
			<b>1</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast Round</li> <li>• Assorted Muffins</li> <li>• Assorted Cereal</li> <li>• Assortment of Fruit</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> <li>• Assorted Juice</li> </ul>	<b>2</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast Calzone</li> <li>• Assorted Muffins</li> <li>• Assorted Cereal</li> <li>• Assortment of Fruit</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> <li>• Assorted Juice</li> </ul>
<b>5</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast Sausage Pizza</li> <li>• Assorted Muffins</li> <li>• Assorted Cereal</li> <li>• Assortment of Fruit</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> <li>• Assorted Juice</li> </ul>	<b>6</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Whole Grain Waffle, Maple</li> <li>• Assorted Muffins</li> <li>• Assorted Cereal</li> <li>• Assortment of Fruit</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> <li>• Assorted Juice</li> </ul>	<b>7</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• French toast sticks</li> <li>• Assorted Muffins</li> <li>• Assorted Cereal</li> <li>• Assortment of Fruit</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> <li>• Assorted Juice</li> </ul>	<b>8</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pancake &amp; Sausage Wrap</li> <li>• Assorted Muffins</li> <li>• Assorted Cereal</li> <li>• Assortment of Fruit</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> <li>• Assorted Juice</li> </ul>	<b>9</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sausage &amp; Cheese Bagel Sandwich</li> <li>• Assorted Muffins</li> <li>• Assorted Cereal</li> <li>• Assortment of Fruit</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> <li>• Assorted Juice</li> </ul>
<b>12</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mini Pancakes</li> <li>• Assorted Muffins</li> <li>• Assorted Cereal</li> <li>• Assortment of Fruit</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> <li>• Assorted Juice</li> </ul>	<b>13</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mini Cinnamon Rolls</li> <li>• Assorted Muffins</li> <li>• Assorted Cereal</li> <li>• Assortment of Fruit</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> <li>• Assorted Juice</li> </ul>	<b>14</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast Sausage Pizza</li> <li>• Assorted Muffins</li> <li>• Assorted Cereal</li> <li>• Assortment of Fruit</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> <li>• Assorted Juice</li> </ul>	<b>15</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cinnamon Roll</li> <li>• Assorted Muffins</li> <li>• Assorted Cereal</li> <li>• Assortment of Fruit</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> <li>• Assorted Juice</li> </ul>	<b>16</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WG Seasonal Loaf Bread</li> <li>• Assorted Muffins</li> <li>• Assorted Cereal</li> <li>• Assortment of Fruit</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> <li>• Assorted Juice</li> </ul>
<b>19</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Whole Grain Waffle, Chocolate Chip</li> <li>• Assorted Muffins</li> <li>• Assorted Cereal</li> <li>• Assortment of Fruit</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> <li>• Assorted Juice</li> </ul>	<b>20</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• French toast sticks</li> <li>• Assorted Muffins</li> <li>• Assorted Cereal</li> <li>• Assortment of Fruit</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> <li>• Assorted Juice</li> </ul>	<b>21</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast Round</li> <li>• Assorted Muffins</li> <li>• Assorted Cereal</li> <li>• Assortment of Fruit</li> <li>• Milk Variety</li> <li>• Assorted Juice</li> </ul>	<b>22</b> 	<b>23</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No School Today</li> </ul>
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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Beef Taco &amp; Rice</li> <li>Chicken Nuggets</li> <li>Turkey or Ham &amp; Cheese Sandwich</li> <li>Cold Deli Yogurt &amp; Goldfish or Pretzels</li> <li>Pb&amp;J Sandwich</li> <li>Black Beans</li> <li>Mexican Condiments- ELEM</li> <li>Nugget Dipping Sauces</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cheese Pizza</li> <li>Hawaiian Pizza</li> <li>Hummus &amp; Veggie Box</li> <li>Cold Deli Yogurt &amp; Goldfish or Pretzels</li> <li>Pb&amp;J Sandwich</li> <li>Corn</li> <li>Assorted Italian Condiments</li> </ul>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chicken Patty Sandwich</li> <li>Turkey Gravy &amp; Roll</li> <li>Cold Deli Meat &amp; Roll</li> <li>Cold Deli Yogurt &amp; Roll</li> <li>Pb&amp;J Sandwich</li> <li>Mashed Potatoes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Penne &amp; Meat Sauce</li> <li>Pizza Bites</li> <li>Ham or Turkey &amp; Cheese Sandwich</li> <li>Cold Deli Yogurt &amp; Roll</li> <li>Pb&amp;J Sandwich</li> <li>Green Beans</li> <li>Assorted Italian Condiments</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Asian Teriyaki Chicken &amp; Rice</li> <li>Pig in a Blanket</li> <li>Ham or Turkey &amp; Cheese Sandwich</li> <li>Cold Deli Yogurt &amp; Roll</li> <li>Pb&amp;J Sandwich</li> <li>Steamed Veggies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chicken Burrito</li> <li>Grilled Ham &amp; Cheese</li> <li>Ham or Turkey &amp; Cheese Sandwich</li> <li>Cold Deli Yogurt &amp; Roll</li> <li>Pb&amp;J Sandwich</li> <li>Refried Beans</li> <li>Mexican Condiments- ELEM</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cheese Pizza</li> <li>Pepperoni Pizza</li> <li>Yogurt Parfait</li> <li>Cold Deli Yogurt &amp; Roll</li> <li>Pb&amp;J Sandwich</li> <li>Steamed Carrots</li> <li>Assorted Italian Condiments</li> </ul>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chicken Drumstick &amp; Roll</li> <li>Hamburger &amp; Cheeseburger</li> <li>Cold Deli Meat &amp; Pretzels</li> <li>Cold Deli Yogurt &amp; Pretzel or Goldfish</li> <li>Pb&amp;J Sandwich</li> <li>Mashed Potatoes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cheese Ravioli &amp; Roll</li> <li>Cheese Calzone &amp; Marinara</li> <li>Turkey or Ham &amp; Cheese Sandwich</li> <li>Cold Deli Yogurt &amp; Pretzel or Goldfish</li> <li>Pb&amp;J Sandwich</li> <li>Green Beans</li> <li>Assorted Italian Condiments</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Orange Beef &amp; Rice</li> <li>Chicken &amp; Waffles</li> <li>Turkey or Ham &amp; Cheese Sandwich</li> <li>Cold Deli Yogurt &amp; Pretzel or Goldfish</li> <li>Pb&amp;J Sandwich</li> <li>Steamed Veggies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Homemade Chili &amp; Corn Muffin</li> <li>Chicken Nuggets</li> <li>Turkey or Ham &amp; Cheese Sandwich</li> <li>Cold Deli Yogurt &amp; Pretzel or Goldfish</li> <li>Pb&amp;J Sandwich</li> <li>Black Beans</li> <li>Nugget Dipping Sauces</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cheese Pizza</li> <li>Veggie Pizza</li> <li>Chicken Caesar Wrap</li> <li>Cold Deli Yogurt &amp; Pretzel or Goldfish</li> <li>Pb&amp;J Sandwich</li> <li>Corn</li> <li>Assorted Italian Condiments</li> </ul>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Grilled Cheese Sandwich</li> <li>Fish Sticks</li> <li>Cold Deli Meat &amp; Roll</li> <li>Cold Deli Yogurt &amp; Roll</li> <li>Pb&amp;J Sandwich</li> <li>Tomato Basil Soup</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mac &amp; Cheese</li> <li>Lasagna with Beef</li> <li>Ham or Turkey &amp; Cheese Sandwich</li> <li>Cold Deli Yogurt &amp; Roll</li> <li>Pb&amp;J Sandwich</li> <li>Green Beans</li> <li>Assorted Italian Condiments</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cheese Pizza</li> <li>Pepperoni Pizza</li> <li>Chef Salad &amp; Roll</li> <li>Cold Deli Yogurt &amp; Roll</li> <li>Pb&amp;J Sandwich</li> <li>Peas</li> <li>Assorted Italian Condiments</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No School Today</li> </ul>
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