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!

March 23rd Memo

Monday, March 27th

Science Fair

<u>Tuesday, March 28th</u>

- ➢ Science Fair
- > 8:30-10:30am: CMAS 3rd Grade
- > 10:30am-1:00pm: PTO Staff Lunch- Around the World Lunch

<u>Wednesday, March 29th</u>

- Science Fair
- > 8:30-10:30am: CMAS 3rd Grade

Thursday, March 30th

- ➢ Science Fair
- Affinity Day-Los Chingones
- > 8:30-10:30am: CMAS 3rd Grade
- ▶ 6:00-7:00pm: 1st Grade Musical; Gym

<u>Friday, March 31st</u>

- Spirit & Sparkle Spirit Day
- Science Fair

Parent Input Form (Attachment)

If you choose, please complete the "Optional Parent Input Form" for homeroom class placement for the 2023-24 school year. All forms are due to the main office by Thursday, April 13th at 3:00pm. You can drop them off in person or email them to <u>zachinfo@psdschools.org</u>. Late forms will not be included in the placement process. Thank you in advance for your understanding and partnership.

<u>Retirements</u>

We want to celebrate four of our amazing staff members who will be retiring at the end of this school year. Congratulations to Lori Eberle, 5th grade; Janet Picha, 3rd grade; Susan Mishak, Kindergarten; and Mary Baca, Office Manager. We are currently hiring for the Office Manager and Kindergarten roles, and both are posted on the <u>PSD website</u>. We will be shifting staffing internally to cover our 3rd grade and 5th grade positions. In addition to the retirements, we are hiring for an additional kindergarten teacher, as our kindergarten will be increasing from 3 sections to 4 sections next year. We are excited to welcome some new team members!

Zach Kitchen (Attachment)

As we prepare to implement the Healthy Meals for All program next school year The Child Nutrition Department is going to have an open position in the Zach school kitchen next year. Please see attachment for more information.

Not Returning to Zach for 2023-24 School Year

Please let the office know if your student(s) are not returning to Zach for the next school year. It helps us with class placement and preparation for classroom needs.

Coffee and Conversation

We have ONE LAST Coffee and Conversation for the 2022-23 school year. If you want to connect, talk about upcoming events, and/or have topics you want to discuss with the admin team, please sign up with <u>SignUpGenius</u>. Each coffee is the first Friday of the month from 8:15-9:00 a.m.

Bike Donations

If your family has any kindergarten-size bikes that you are no longer using, please donate them to Zach! We love getting the kindergarteners riding bikes during recess. We are looking for bikes without training wheels and strider bikes. Bikes can be dropped off before or after school at the kindergarten classroom doors.

March Staff Appreciation Event:

Our Teachers and Staff make a world of difference with everything they do! On March 28th let's take our teachers "Around the World" as our way of saying thank you. For this "Around the world luncheon" bring your favorite food along with info on which country it belongs. Let's put our best dish forward and spoil our wonderful Zach teachers and staff. Many donations are still needed. Only a few days left to sign up!

Please sign up here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0948A8A62BA02-around1

<u>April Affinity</u>

On the morning of April 14th the Human Bean Coffee Cart will visit Zach with cold weather treats for our teachers and staff! Please join the PTO and help make this event successful by donating \$1-5 per family. Donations will be collected in the school office.

Parents in need of their own coffee or treat are encouraged to visit the coffee cart at school from 7:30-9:30am on April 14th. The Human bean will donate 10% of all parent sales back to Zach for our April Affinity event!

Kindergarten Open House (Attachment)

It's hard to believe we are thinking about the 2023-24 school year, although we are looking forward to meeting all our new kindergarteners! Join us for our Kindergarten Open House on Thursday, May 11th between 4:00-5:15pm. If you cannot make it at that date/time, feel free to sign up for one of two later tour options <u>HERE</u>. We encourage everyone to make the original open house, since the teachers and administration will be there to meet your children, but we understand that conflicts happen during this busy time of year. We look forward to your joining our school community, and please don't hesitate to reach out to our main office at 970-488-5100 if you have any questions.

Safety Update

As we continue to work toward keeping our environment as safe as possible, we need your help with student drop off in the mornings. We are noticing that some vehicles are cutting through the parking lot as a shortcut to get to the Kiss-N-Go drop off point. Please help us keep safety as our top priority and use the outside loop to access the Kiss-N-Go, and not cut through the parking lot. Thanks Zephyr families!

May 26th: Last Day of School: HALF DAY

The last day of school on Friday, May 26th will be a half day. The release time has not yet been determined, but it usually is 3 ½ hours prior to the normal release time. We'll keep you posted when we have the final confirmation.

<u> PTO</u>

PTO needs help incorporating a new book into our annual 4th grade book bowl competition. We need volunteers to read and make question for our new book, Pax by Sara Pennypacker Please sign up here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0B49ABA62EA4FF2-book1

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 or visit us on the Zach PTO webpage at https://zac.psdschools.org/pto-and-sac .

Our next meeting will be on April 5th at 6:30pm. This will be our first and only in person meeting of the year. We will discuss committees and board positions for the following school year. There will also be a virtual option to join. Please find the link to join the meeting at: https://zac.psdschools.org/pto-and-sac.

<u>Pack Pantry (Attachment)</u>

Please see flier for more information.

Mental Health Matters (Attachment)

Please see flier 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

Important Upcoming Dates

4/7: Coffee and Conversation from 8:15-9:00am at Zach
4/13: Parent Input Forms Due
4/14: April Affinity Night: Human Bean Coffee Truck from 7:30-9:30am at Zach
4/21: No School-Staff Collaboration Day
5/15: No School-Staff Work Day
5/26: Last Day of School-Half Day (release time TBD)

Optional Parent Input Form: 2023-24 Homeroom Class Placement

All forms are due to the office by <u>April 13th 3:00pm</u>

Late form/input will not be included in the placement process for Zach Elementary

| Student Name: Current Teacher: |
|---|
| Next Year Grade Level: Parent Who Completed This Form: |
| Iow are students placed into next year's homeroom classes? Current grade level teams create <u>balanced</u> classes based on student academic, behavioral and social needs. Iow is this OPTIONAL parent input form weighted into the process? This form is read by the principal and current teacher to help inform for the child's best learning environment We do not discuss class placement at spring conferences We do not accept requests for specific teachers That about older sibling experience with a specific teacher? If your older child had a specific homeroom teacher experience that you would like to repeat or avoid, there is a place on this form to indicate that. This will factor into our decision making but is not a guarantee of a specific teacher. When do we find out final placement? Class rosters are posted a week prior to school starting. |
| Check <u>one box</u> This is my oldest or only child. (<i>Proceed to questions #2-3</i>) I have an older child that attended Zach (<i>Skip to question #4-7</i>) |
| What priority in placement is most important to you? Rank order 1 to 3 below (1 is the highest). Learning style and environment Positive friendship If so, who? Separating specific students If so, who? What kind of class environment would most benefit your child? Please do not use individual teacher names. Use back for more space if needed. |
| Thank you! You are done and can turn in your form in person or email to zachinfo@psdschools.org. |
| 4. My older child's teacher was: |
| 6. What priority in placement is most important to you? Rank order 1 to 3 below (1 is the highest). Learning style and environment Positive friendships If so, who? |
| Separating specific students If so, who? 7. What kind of class environment would most benefit your child? Use back for more space if needed. |
| Thank you! You are done and can turn in your form in person or email to zachinfo@psdschools.org. |



There's a meaningful connection between school nutrition professionals and our amazing students. Being a school nutrition professional means being at the leading edge of taste, science, and health, and you're invited to join the movement.

https://psdschools.tedk12.com/hire/ViewJob.aspx?JobID=6190 or

call the Child Nutrition Office at 970-490-3557 for more information



You're Invited to our Kindergarten Open House

THURSDAY, MAY 11TH ANY TIME BETWEEN 4:00-5:15PM

at

Zach Elementary

Come visit classrooms, tour the school, and meet teachers and staff! If your child isn't registered yet, we can help with the process.

Hosted by Rocky Mountain High School

Save the Date: Mental Health Mathematical Mental Me

Please join Poudre School District for the 8th Annual Mental Health Matters K-12 Event, this year hosted IN PERSON at Rocky Mountain High School. Speakers will address a wide range of mental heath topics that effect all grade levels.

More information coming soon.

Brought to you by the PSD School Healthcare Professional Grant team

What is the Pack Pantry?

The Pack Pantry is a community resource for anyone in need of:

- clothing (infants-adult, coats, gloves, hats, and more)
- food supplies (canned goods, pasta, fresh fruits/vegetables when available, and more)
- toiletries (toilet paper, diapers, toothpaste, toothbrushes and more)

When is it open?

Saturday, Jan 28 9:00-11:00 am

Tuesday, Feb 7 3:00-5:00 pm Saturday, Feb 25 9:00-11:00 am

Tuesday, Mar 7 3:00-5:00 pm Saturday, Mar 25 9:00-11:00 am

Tuesday, Apr 11 3:00-5:00 pm Saturday, Apr 29 9:00-11:00 am

Tuesday, May 9 3:00-5:00 pm



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Where is the Pack Pantry?

The Pack Pantry is located at Bamford Elementary 6055 Travers Stakes St, Loveland, CO 80538

For more information & how to support the Pantry

• Visit our student-designed Pack Pantry website:

http://bit.ly/3PnpxSa

 Email us at bamfordpackpantry@gmail.com



6055 Travers Stakes St, Loveland, CO 80538

March 2023

Zach Elementary Breakfast

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|---|---|--|--|---|
| | | French toast sticks Sausage Patty Muffin Assorted & Yogurt Variety Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice | 2 Mini Pancakes Muffin Assorted & Yogurt Variety Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice | Egg, Cheese & Bacon Breakfast Burrito Muffin Assorted & Yogurt Variety Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice |
| Breakfast Sausage Pizza Assorted Muffins Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice | 7 Mini Cinnamon Rolls Assorted Muffins Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice | Pancake & Sausage Wrap Assorted Muffins Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice | 9 • Breakfast Round • Assorted Muffins • Assorted Cereal • Assortment of Fruit • Milk Variety • Assorted Juice | Whole Grain Waffle, Chocolate Chip Assorted Muffins Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice |
| 13 SPRING BREAK | 14• No School Today | 15• No School Today | 16• No School Today | 17No School Today |
| Egg, Cheese & Bacon Breakfast Burrito Muffin Assorted & Yogurt Variety Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice | 21 • French toast sticks • Sausage Patty • Muffin Assorted & Yogurt Variety • Assorted Cereal • Assortment of Fruit • Milk Variety • Assorted Juice | Breakfast Sausage Pizza Muffin Assorted & Yogurt Variety Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice | 23 Mini Pancakes Muffin Assorted & Yogurt Variety Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice | 24 Mini Cinnamon Rolls Muffin Assorted & Yogurt Variety Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice |
| Whole Grain Waffle, Chocolate Chip Assorted Muffins Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice | 28 Egg, Cheese & Bacon Breakfast Burrito Assorted Muffins Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice | Breakfast Round Assorted Muffins Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice | 30 • WGR Grahamz Crackers • Yogurt • Assorted Muffins • Assorted Cereal • Assortment of Fruit • Milk Variety • Assorted Juice | 9 Pancake & Sausage Wrap Assorted Muffins Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice |

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March 2023

Zach Elementary

Lunch

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|---|--|---|---|--|
| | Food Offered Daily: • Salad Bar • Fruit Salad • Assorted Salad Dressings • Whole Wheat Dinner Roll • Chocolate Milk • Milk fat free • Milk Iow fat 1% • Assorted Condiments | | 2 • Beef Taco & Rice • Chicken Strips • Cold Deli Meat & Goldfish • ColdDeli Yogurt & Goldfish or Pretzels • Pb&J Sandwich • Black Beans • Nugget Dipping Sauces • Mexican Condiments- ELEM | Cheese Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Cold Deli Meat & Goldfish ColdDeli Yogurt & Goldfish or Pretzels Pb&J Sandwich Peas Assorted Italian Condiments |
| 6 Meatball Sandwich Cheese Calzone & Marinara Cold Deli Meat & Roll Cold Deli Yogurt & Roll Pb&J Sandwich Corn Assorted Italian Condiments | 7 Lasagna with Veggies Chicken Drumstick & Roll Cold Deli Meat & Roll Cold Deli Yogurt & Roll Pb&J Sandwich Green Beans Assorted Italian Condiments | 8 Orange Chicken & Rice Fish Sticks Cold Deli Meat & Roll Cold Deli Yogurt & Roll Pb&J Sandwich Steamed Broccoli | 9 Chicken Burrito Hot Dog Cold Deli Meat & Roll Cold Deli Yogurt & Roll Pb&J Sandwich Refried Beans Mexican Condiments- ELEM | 10 Cheese Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Hummus & Veggie Box Cold Deli Yogurt & Roll Pb&J Sandwich Steamed Carrots Assorted Italian Condiments |
| 13 Sphing BREAK | 14No School Today | 15No School Today | 16No School Today | 17No School Today |
| 20 Chicken & Waffles Chicken Caesar Wrap Cold Deli Meat & Pretzels Cold Deli Yogurt & Pretzel or Goldfish Pb&J Sandwich Steamed Broccoli | 21 Chicken Tacos & Rice Pizza Bites Cold Deli Meat & Pretzels Cold Deli Yogurt & Pretzel or Goldfish Pb&J Sandwich Black Beans Mexican Condiments- ELEM | Asian Meatballs & Rice Chicken Patty Sandwich Cold Deli Meat & Pretzels Cold Deli Yogurt & Pretzel or Goldfish Pb&J Sandwich Steamed Veggies | 23 Mac & Cheese Cheese Calzone & Marinara Cold Deli Meat & Pretzels Cold Deli Yogurt & Pretzel or Goldfish Pb&J Sandwich Green Beans Assorted Italian Condiments | 24 Cheese Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Cold Deli Meat & Pretzels Cold Deli Yogurt & Pretzel or Goldfish Pb&J Sandwich Peas Assorted Italian Condiments |
| 27 Pork Chop Sandwich Cheese Ravioli & Roll Cold Deli Meat & Roll Cold Deli Yogurt & Roll Pb&J Sandwich Corn Assorted Italian Condiments | 28 Chicken Drumstick & Roll Yogurt Parfait Cold Deli Meat & Roll Cold Deli Yogurt & Roll Pb&J Sandwich Green Beans | 29 Tomato Soup & Grilled Cheese Fish Sticks Cold Deli Meat & Roll Cold Deli Yogurt & Roll Pb&J Sandwich Tomato Basil Soup | Beef & Bean Burrito Hot Dog Cold Deli Meat & Roll Cold Deli Yogurt & Roll Pb&J Sandwich Refried Beans Mexican Condiments- ELEM | 31 Cheese Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Cold Deli Meat & Roll Cold Deli Yogurt & Roll Pb&J Sandwich Steamed Carrots Assorted Italian Condiments |

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