

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!

May 4th Memo

Monday, May 8th

- Staff Appreciation Week: Thanks for helping me grow; bring flowers/seeds to give to your teacher/staff members

Tuesday, May 9th

- Staff Appreciation Week: Staff Taco Lunch; to donate click the link below
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0948a8a62ba02-staff3#/>
- 6:00pm: Meeting for Boston Trip Summer 2024-for students that will be in 4th or 5th for 2023-24 school year; Media Center

Wednesday, May 10th

- Staff Appreciation Week: Write your teacher/staff a note or draw a picture to thank them for an awesome school year.
- 12:00-12:45pm: PTO Meeting; Google Meets; [Click here](#)

Thursday, May 11th

- Staff Appreciation Week: Help our learning community do what they do best by donating books/supplies; to donate click the link
([Check out my list on Amazon](#))
- 4:00-5:15pm: Kindergarten Open House; Kindergarten Classrooms

Friday, May 12th

- Staff Appreciation Week: Wear your teacher’s favorite color/Zach spirit gear. Help your heart grow by showing an act of kindness to a friend or staff member.

New Information

Have a 1st, 2nd, or 3rd Grader who loves Legos?

We are trying to gauge interest from Zach families for the First Lego League (FLL) Explore program for the Fall of 2023. The program is for grades 1-3 where teams of 4-6 students focus on fundamentals of engineering as they explore real-world problems, learn to design, and code and create unique solutions made with LEGO bricks and powered by the LEGO Education Spike set.

Please fill out the google form and let us know if you're interested! Thanks!

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd-oiwLDmOgdSjCZ-ll_qTLeoECtrCLa3e4-CmUdbaAc_naRw/viewform?usp=sf_link

Family Survey

Please take a few minutes to complete our end of year [FEEDBACK TO ADMINISTRATION](#) survey. We would love to have as many folks take it as possible to ensure the most accurate results. Thank you for your partnership and have a great rest of your day.

From the Health Office

It has come to our attention that some health clinics have started charging for paperwork if it is processed outside of well child visits. The fees are on a sliding scale depending on the complexity of the paperwork and there are also additional fees to rush the paperwork. We want to honor your time and your money, so we are adding the required health documents to the Parent Resources page on the Zach Website. These documents will be listed under the Documents section on the Parent Resources page. When you have an upcoming well child visit with your provider, please go to the Documents section on the Parent Resources page and download any documents your family needs completed. We hope this new accessibility serves your family during future appointments.

Reminders

Last Day of School

The last day of school for 2022-2023, May 26, will be a half day for students. Students will be released 3.5 hours early at 11:13am. Bagged breakfasts will be served. No lunch will be served on May 26.

Parents on Duty

Mission- To provide added presence and extra resources during recess supervision.

Goal- To help maintain a secure space during recess hours and monitor for safety issues such as unauthorized persons on the playground, safety concerns, etc.

How- The purpose of the Parents on Duty would be:

- Monitor playground during recess.
- Serve as an extra presence and set of eyes during outside recess.
- Alert administrators or available teachers to concerns of safety.

Who- Any parent or guardian of Zach elementary student who has signed up to volunteer thru PDS website.

Parents on Duty General information

- Any parent who is interested in helping to add an extra presence to the elementary school during school hours needs to follow standard volunteering guidelines from the school district. Contact the main office if you have questions.
- Please note that the first time you volunteer for this program, you will need to arrive 15 minutes early for a "training" with Angel or Jason.
- The main objective is to provide additional safety to our children.
- Volunteer sign up slots can be accessed thru Sign Up Genius.
- This is a pilot program that will start with extra monitoring during recess times. If program is successful, hopefully the hours and numbers of volunteers can be expanded.

Daily Schedule

- Volunteer hours will be Monday thru Friday
- Pilot program will have 2 one hour time slots from 10:40 to 11:40 and 11:40 to 12:40
- Please check in at the front office for check in

Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4fa8ad2ca7f4c07-pilot/11534389#/>

From the Counselor

Camp Braveheart

Registration is now open for Camp Braveheart: A Retreat for Grieving Youth. Camp Braveheart is a day camp for youth ages 5-11 who are grieving the loss of a parent, sibling, or other close family members. Youth will have the opportunity to share feelings and memories with other children who have experienced a similar loss. Campers will leave with a renewed sense of self and coping skills that will help them manage grief in everyday life. The camp is June 24 from 9:00-3:00. Please contact Three Hopeful Hearts at (970) 430-6136 for more information.

Online Safety Resources:

We wanted to share some resources following our online safety lesson from the Crawford Center in our 4th and 5th grade classrooms. These are resources for you as family members to support conversation or learning around this topic.

Family resource for guiding conversations with children around online safety:

[Common Sense Media Online Safety Tips and Articles for Parents](#)

National reporting line for unsafe online behavior. This tipline will connect with local law enforcement:

[Cyber Tipline](#)

Anonymous reporting for any safety related concern:

[Safe To Tell](#)

PTO General

PTO needs a new board member for next year. We are recruiting for our open secretary position. Responsibilities include taking attendance and minutes at our monthly meetings as well as helping to create our volunteer sign-ups. If interested, please email us at zachpto@gmail.com .

PTO needs help incorporating a new book into our annual 4th grade book bowl competition. We need volunteers to read and make questions 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>

Our next meeting will be on May 10th at 12:00-12:45pm. This will be a virtual only meeting. Please find the link to join the meeting at:

<https://zac.psdschools.org/pto-and-sac>

Zach Enrichment Fund (ZEF)

Dear Zach Parents,

Zach's long history of student success can be attributed to our wonderful teachers and staff, parental involvement, and to the annual financial contributions families make to the Zach Enrichment Fund (ZEF). The ZEF supplements district and state funds by raising classroom budgets and supporting grants for teachers throughout the year that directly benefit your child. In the past, ZEF funds have paid for Reading Eggs & Math Seeds curricula, laptops, science materials, the Renaissance Festival, and so much more.

The PTO is making adjustments to the ZEF fundraiser in an effort to raise more money, create grade and class unity, and involve the greater Zach community. This fall, it will be changed to the Zach Enrichment FUNd RUN. Students will participate in a celebratory fun run at school and raise money by asking family and friends to sponsor them by donating to the ZEF. Along the way, students will have opportunities to win individual prizes, class prizes, and grade prizes. We know with your involvement and support, we can make it hugely successful and create a fun tradition students look forward to every year!

Stay tuned for more details about the Zach Enrichment FUNd RUN coming this fall and the many ways the money raised will enrich the educational experience of every student.

If you would like to help with this important fundraiser, please email zachpto@gmail.com.

Zach Drinking Water (Attachment)

Please see attached letter regarding Zach's drinking water.

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.

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 [HERE](#). 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.

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

5/15: No School-Staff Work Day

5/16: 1st Grade Field Trip-Denver Zoo: 9:00am-2:00pm

5/17: Kinder Field Trip-CSU Environmental Learning Center: 10:15am-12:15pm

5/19: Hollywood Awards-1st Grade: 8:30-10:15am

5/23: Kinder Blast: 8:30-10:30am, 12:30-2:15pm; Radiant Park

5/24: 3rd Grade Field Trip-Larimer County Landfill & Recycle Center: 10:20am-1:30pm

5/24: Field Day-K-2: 12:45-2:30pm

5/25: Second Grade Field Trip-Radiant Park: 12:30-1:45pm

5/25: Field Day-3-5: 12:45-2:30pm

5/26: Last Day of School-Half Day: Dismissal 11:13am

5/26: 5th Grade Promotion: 10am; doors open at 9:30am Flex Room/Gym

Dear Zach Families:

I am happy to report that all of our water fixtures tested BELOW both state thresholds for lead content during recent, state-required water testing at Zach. This means that our school's drinking and food preparation water is safe and healthy to drink.

You may be wondering why our school was tested for lead. All licensed childcare centers, preschools, and elementary schools in Colorado are required to test their drinking water for lead before May 31 this year in accordance with Colorado House Bill 22-1358: Clean Water in Schools and Child Care Centers, which Gov. Polis signed into law last June.

The law requires schools to perform remediation measures if fixtures test positive for lead levels in drinking water above a legal threshold. The Environmental Protection Agency's action level for lead in drinking water is 15 parts per billion (ppb), but our state has adopted a stricter threshold of 5 ppb.

Again, none of our fixtures tested at these levels.


Safety is our top priority, and we are communicating with you in order to be as transparent as possible. As a district, we often communicate with families and staff when something unexpected or negative happens at school and wanted to be sure to celebrate good news around the health and safety of students. I hope you find this information comforting and informative.

Detailed sample results for all schools being tested this year are posted publicly. Anyone can view them at the following link: <https://cdphe.colorado.gov/environment/lead-safety/test-and-fix-water-for-kids>. Results may take up to 30 days to be posted on this web page.

This message will also be shared with our Zach families today.

Thank you,
Poudre School District



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breakfast Round Muffin Assorted & Yogurt Variety Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice 	2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> WGR Pumpkin Bread or Seasonal Loaf Bread Muffin Assorted & Yogurt Variety Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice 	3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> French toast sticks Sausage Patty Muffin Assorted & Yogurt Variety Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice 	4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mini Pancakes Muffin Assorted & Yogurt Variety Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice 	5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Egg, Cheese & Bacon Breakfast Burrito Muffin Assorted & Yogurt Variety Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice
8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breakfast Sausage Pizza Assorted Muffins Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice 	9 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mini Cinnamon Rolls Assorted Muffins Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice 	10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pancake & Sausage Wrap Assorted Muffins Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice 	11 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breakfast Round Assorted Muffins Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice 	12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whole Grain Waffle, Chocolate Chip Assorted Muffins Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice
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22 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whole Grain Waffle, Chocolate Chip Assorted Muffins Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice 	23 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Egg, Cheese & Bacon Breakfast Burrito Assorted Muffins Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice 	24 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breakfast Round Assorted Muffins Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice 	25 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> WGR Grahamz Crackers Yogurt Assorted Muffins Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice 	26 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pancake & Sausage Wrap Assorted Muffins Assorted Cereal Assortment of Fruit Milk Variety Assorted Juice
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1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pizza Bites Chicken Nuggets Cold Deli Meat & Goldfish ColdDeli Yogurt & Goldfish or Pretzels Pb&J Sandwich Steamed Broccoli Nugget Dipping Sauces Assorted Italian Condiments 	2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hamburger & Cheeseburger Mac & Cheese Cold Deli Meat & Goldfish ColdDeli Yogurt & Goldfish or Pretzels Pb&J Sandwich Green Beans 	3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chicken Patty Sandwich Chef Salad & Roll Cold Deli Meat & Goldfish ColdDeli Yogurt & Goldfish or Pretzels Pb&J Sandwich Steamed Veggies 	4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 	5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cheese Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Cold Deli Meat & Goldfish ColdDeli Yogurt & Goldfish or Pretzels Pb&J Sandwich Peas Assorted Italian Condiments
8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meatball Sandwich Cheese Calzone & Marinara Cold Deli Meat & Roll Cold Deli Yogurt & Roll Pb&J Sandwich Corn Assorted Italian Condiments 	9 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lasagna with Veggies Chicken Drumstick & Roll Cold Deli Meat & Roll Cold Deli Yogurt & Roll Pb&J Sandwich Green Beans Assorted Italian Condiments 	10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tomato Soup & Grilled Cheese Fish Sticks Cold Deli Meat & Roll Cold Deli Yogurt & Roll Pb&J Sandwich Steamed Broccoli 	11 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chicken Burrito Hot Dog Cold Deli Meat & Roll Cold Deli Yogurt & Roll Pb&J Sandwich Refried Beans Mexican Condiments-ELEM 	12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cheese Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Hummus & Veggie Box Cold Deli Yogurt & Roll Pb&J Sandwich Steamed Carrots Assorted Italian Condiments
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22 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hamburger & Cheeseburger Cheese Ravioli & Roll Cold Deli Meat & Roll Cold Deli Yogurt & Roll Pb&J Sandwich Corn Assorted Italian Condiments 	23 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chicken Drumstick & Roll Yogurt Parfait Cold Deli Meat & Roll Cold Deli Yogurt & Roll Pb&J Sandwich Green Beans 	24 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tomato Soup & Grilled Cheese Fish Sticks Cold Deli Meat & Roll Cold Deli Yogurt & Roll Pb&J Sandwich Tomato Basil Soup 	25 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cheese Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Cold Deli Meat & Roll Cold Deli Yogurt & Roll Pb&J Sandwich Steamed Carrots Assorted Italian Condiments 	26 
29	30	31	Food Offered Daily: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Salad Bar Fruit Salad Assorted Salad Dressings Whole Wheat Dinner Roll Chocolate Milk Milk fat free Milk low fat 1% Assorted Condiments 	