Weekly Family Memo

Zach Elementary School

School Motto: Together We Inspire
School Mission: We commit to do our best to encourage, inspire and meet each child’s needs.
School Vision: Ensure high levels of learning for all students.

Facebook: facebook.com/zachelementaryschool
Please “LIKE” us on Facebook! We make positive and celebratory posts and comments.

Website: https://zac.psdschools.org

November 16th-20th

Monday, November 16th:
• K-5 A Group @Zach
• K-5 B Group @ZOLA: 8:15am-2:30pm
• Lunch & Breakfast Sack Meals Provided: 11:00am-1:00pm @Kinard for K-5 B Group

Tuesday, November 17th:
• K-5 B Group @Zach
• K-5 A Group @ZOLA: 8:15am-2:30pm
• Lunch & Breakfast Sack Meals Provided: 11:00am-1:00pm @Kinard for K-5 A Group

Wednesday, November 18th:
• K-5 A Group @Zach
• K-5 B Group @ZOLA: 8:15am-2:30pm
• Lunch & Breakfast Sack Meals Provided: 11:00am-1:00pm @Kinard for K-5 B Group

Thursday, November 19th:
• K-5 B Group @Zach
• K-5 A Group @ZOLA: 8:15am-2:30pm
• Lunch & Breakfast Sack Meals Provided: 11:00am-1:00pm @Kinard for K-5 A Group

Friday, November 20th:
• K-5 A & B Group@ ZOLA 8:15-8:30am
• Lunch & Breakfast Sack Meals Provided: 11:00am-1:00pm @Kinard

Lunch Menu

Monday, November 16th:
• Cheese Pizza
• PB & J Sandwich

Tuesday, November 17th:
• Cheese Calzone & Marinara
• Turkey & Cheese Sandwich

Wednesday, November 18th:
• Cheeseburger
• Yogurt Parfait

Thursday, November 19th:
• Chicken Strips & Goldfish
• Turkey & Cheese Sandwich

Friday, November 20th: At Kinard
• Chicken Patty Sandwich
• PB & J Sandwich

*Please note students learning @Zach days eat lunch at Zach, but @ZOLA days can pick up lunch at Kinard.
Zach Enrichment Fund (ZEF)
Thank you to all the families that have already donated to ZEF! This fundraising campaign is our only school wide campaign for the whole school year. Due to budget cuts this year, we had to bring grade level budgets to zero spending. We need our ZEF in order to replenish grade level budgets for the remainder of the school year and also complete special projects like our outdoor classroom and media center updates! We need 100% of families to give! Please take ownership in our wonderful school and donate! Don’t forget to ask grandparents to help out too. They can just send our office a check in the mail if they don’t want to pay online. Our address is 3715 Kechter Rd, Fort Collins, CO 80528. Please donate at www.schoolpay.com

Zach Enrichment Fund (ZEF)
Why does Zach need this money in a hybrid or full distance learning phase? The different phases of remote and in-person learning have challenged our community. ZEF teacher grants can quickly meet the ever-evolving educational and safety needs of specific classrooms, an essential capability as teachers work to create an extraordinary education during an uncertain time.

Does the school district provide personal protective equipment and supplies? The district has provided some resources, but Zach has allocated a part of its budget to PPE, hand sanitizer, and other supplies.

How can I do my part? You can pay with cash, via School Pay, or with a check made out to Zach Elementary PTO. The campaign ends December 3rd and the suggested donation is $100 per child. If you have multiple children, the total contribution will be split equally among them and will count toward each of their classes’ tallies and participation rates.

I asked our technology teacher, Mrs. Roberson, how she’d use ZEF funds this year. Here’s what she said: I’d like Bristlebot STEM kits!

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Increase our donor base! Encourage grandparents to give to ZEF and inquire about contribution matches at your workplace!

ZEF Participation

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COVID Protocols
Keep your child at home if...
- anyone in your household has been tested for COVID-19 and is awaiting results
- your child has had COVID-19 symptoms within the last 24 hours
- your child has been in close contact with someone who tested positive (within 6 ft distance for 15 minutes)

Building Entry and Exit Location Update (ATTACHMENT)
Parents and guardians of 3rd graders: Building entry and exit location update
Effective Monday, November 16th, all 3rd grade students will enter and exit the school building through the media center hallway doors. In order to get to their entry door, they may enter and exit the playground area via the main playground gate or the east gate. This will help us avoid the wintry conditions on the north side of the building and there is adequate space for both 3rd and 4th graders to enter through the media center hallway doors. See the included map for more detail, all changes impacting 3rd graders are highlighted in yellow on the map.

All parents and guardians:
- Effective Monday, November 16th, the east gates will be open for 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students to enter and exit at the beginning and end of the day. 4th and 5th graders will continue to enter and exit the building at their current locations. See the included map for more detail, all changes impacting 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders are highlighted in yellow on the map.
- Please do not use the crosswalk at Kechter Road and Cinquefoil Lane, as it is not supervised, but rather use the supervised crosswalk at Kechter Road and Jupiter Drive as you enter and exit the Zach campus from the north.
- Only students and staff are allowed through the gates and onto the playground.
- The included map has suggested parent waiting areas, use this as a guide as you develop a specific pickup area for your child or children.

Laptop and tech issues
Should your child be experiencing tech issues with their PSD laptop computer, please email your child’s teacher with the problem(s) you are having. Your child’s teacher will put a ticket into our system which flags our tech support to repair the issue. Be sure to send the computer in with your child on their @ZACH day so it can be repaired.

Media Center Needs Your Help
Please help us get the overdue books back to the Media center! Students will receive overdue library book information from their homeroom teachers next week. When students find the missing books, please have them return the books to their homeroom teachers before Thanksgiving break. Thanks so much for your help!

Mental Health Matters (ATTACHMENT)
Please see attached flyer for more information.

Bikes for Tykes (ATTACHMENT)
Realities for children is collecting gently used bikes for kids. Please see attached flyer for more information.

Reminders from Previous Family Memos

Zach Gives Back
2020-2021
Zach Elementary is hosting our 8th annual Zach Gives Back (ZGB) Campaign, launched each November, with the purpose of raising funds and goods for local, national and international nonprofits. We gear our events for children helping children! This year, due to COVID 19, we have shifted the types of campaigns we are hosting. This year, our campaigns are co-hosted by a community agency.

A. We host annual schoolwide ZGB campaigns:
   - Turkey Roundup (November 19th) – Deliver a frozen turkey to the old Kmart parking lot at 2535 S. College Ave between 7am-5pm to benefit the Larimer County Food Bank.
▪ Adopt A Family (November) – The holidays can be one of the most difficult times of year for our families who are trying to make ends meet. Some families are worrying about where they will sleep, how they will pay their electrical bill, or where they will get their next meal. Please consider adopting a Boys & Girls Club family by going to [https://www.begreatlarimer.org/holiday-families/](https://www.begreatlarimer.org/holiday-families/) and click on “Adopt A Family” at the bottom of the screen.

▪ Winter Clothing Drive For Zach Students (November) - Is your family in need of some support with winter clothing? All students are required to have winter gear for recess. Please complete this confidential form if you need a little help with getting winter gear this year. [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfi8XmNhrSZwImcF-8chMh5YjTWIQqu5njWFB6qIktOof9T9lg/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfi8XmNhrSZwImcF-8chMh5YjTWIQqu5njWFB6qIktOof9T9lg/viewform)

Would you like to offer support in purchasing needed items for Zach families? Please complete this confidential form if you would like to offer support with this. Thank you! Offer to Support: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfF21IKRx-wNbQHh7IIv8UxqMx9HcRsqXe1kyADAU1Rrjti9A/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfF21IKRx-wNbQHh7IIv8UxqMx9HcRsqXe1kyADAU1Rrjti9A/viewform)

Events that are contingent on being in Phase 3 or 4:

▪ Canned Food Drive (February)
▪ Jump Rope for Heart (February)

B. We host one campaign every other year: Next event January 2022
   ▪ iCarebyHair – hair donation

C. We also promote individual student campaigns! If your child organizes a donation drive for a secular organization benefiting kids and families, please email taisha@psdschools.org. Although we may not be able to assist with the logistics, we will help promote the campaign!

**Zach Spirit Gear**
Time to purchase your Zach spirit gear! Order now and get your delivery in time for our upcoming school spirit days! [https://www.rokkitwear.com/school/55724-zach-elementary-school](https://www.rokkitwear.com/school/55724-zach-elementary-school)

**ATTACHMENTS**
- Entry and Exit Location Map
- Mental Health Matters
- Bikes for Tykes
Grade level entry & exit locations:

**Kindergarten** - students enter through the main playground gate and proceed to their classroom

**1st** - students enter through the main school entrance

**2nd** - students enter through the west entrance

**3rd** & **4th** - students enter through the east gate or main playground gate and proceed to the media center hallway entrance

**3rd**, **4th**, and **5th** may use east gate

**5th** - students enter through the east gate or main playground gate and proceed to the east entrance

All entry doors and gates will be supervised by Zach staff beginning at 7:55 AM until the 8:15 AM bell

Bikes and scooters are to be placed on racks and then students proceed to their grade level lineup location.
WE ARE HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE THAT THE 6TH ANNUAL MENTAL HEALTH MATTERS EVENT WILL BE TAKING PLACE VIRTUALLY THIS YEAR!
RATHER THAN A ONE NIGHT EVENT, WE WILL HOST A VARIETY OF ENGAGING SPEAKERS THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL YEAR.

We are thrilled to announce that our first speaker will be Nick Thompson, a dynamic and inspiring social worker practicing in Boulder. Nick is well-known for his passion and efficacy in assisting youth and their families find ways to thrive and find joy during adolescence. He works to support and inspire students with a light-hearted approach to success. He will discuss ways for parents to support students appropriately with the trials and tribulations of COVID-19 living and learning.
¡ESTAMOS FELICES DE ANUNCIAR QUE EL 6º EVENTO ANUAL DE LA SALUD MENTAL IMPORTA, SE REALIZARÁ ESTE AÑO! EN LUGAR DE UN EVENTO DE UNA NOCHE, TENDREMOS UNA SERIE DE CHARLAS DURANTE EL AÑO ESCOLAR.

Estamos encantados de anunciar que nuestro primer orador será Nick Thompson, un trabajador social dinámico e inspirador que trabaja en Boulder. Nick es conocido por su pasión y eficacia en ayudar a los jóvenes y sus familias a encontrar formas de prosperar y encontrar alegría durante la adolescencia. Trabaja para apoyar e inspirar a los estudiantes con un enfoque alegre hacia el éxito. Hablara de las formas en que los padres pueden apoyar a los estudiantes de manera adecuada con las dificultades y tribulaciones de la vida y el aprendizaje de COVID-19.

CUÁNDO:
Diciembre 3, 2020
6:30p—8:00p

DONDE:
Sera un evento Virtual, en vivo.

COMO PARTICIPA
Utilice el código que se muestra abajo o comuníquese con el Enlace Familia de su escuela. Luego de registrarse recibirá un link el día del evento o puede ingresar desde la pagina del Distrito Escolar Poudre (sostenga la cámara de su teléfono frente al cuadrado y aparecerá un enlace para registrarse).
We are now collecting new and gently-used bicycles for ages 2-17 years! 
(please no rips, tears, rust, or chipped paint)

25th Anniversary
1995 - 2020
No Child Forgotten

Donation Deadline:
Sunday, December 6

If you are unable to transport your donated bike and need to arrange for pick-up, please call Alacrity Travel & Lifestyle at 970-224-9392 or email Team@AlacrityTravel.com.

Monetary donations accepted at RealitiesForChildren.com

Realities For Children Charities is a 501c3 non-profit corporation. All donations are tax deductible.

Drop-off Locations:

Trek Bicycle
202 W. Laurel St., Fort Collins
931 E. Harmony Rd., Fort Collins
4880 Thompson Pky., Unit 110, Johnstown

The Phoenix Cyclery
1532 E. Mulberry St., Ste. D, Fort Collins

Breakaway Cycles
2237 W. Eisenhower Blvd., Loveland

Recycled Cycles
4031 S. Mason St., Fort Collins

Fort Collins Bike Co-op
1501 N. College Ave., Fort Collins
Mon. Wed. Fri. Sun. 2pm -5pm

Scheels
4755 Ronald Reagan Blvd., Johnstown

www.rfcBikesForTykes.com