Zach Elementary School

School Motto: Together We Inspire

School Mission: We commit to do our best <u>to encourage</u>, 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.nsdschools.org/

November 9th-13th

<u>Monday, November 9th:</u>

- 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 10th:

- 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
- Parent Q & A: 5-6pm; Google Meets (link on Zach Calendar)

Wednesday, November 11th:

- 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
- PTO Meeting: 5-6pm; Google Meets (link on Zach Calendar)

Thursday, November 12th:

- 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 13th:

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

<u>Lunch Menu</u>

Monday, November 9th:

- Cheese Ravioli
- Ham & Cheese Sandwich

<u>Tuesday, November 10th:</u>

- Pepperoni Pizza
- Yogurt Parfait

Wednesday, November 11th

- Beef & Bean Burrito
- Ham & Cheese Sandwich

Thursday, November 12th:

- Mac & Cheese
- PB&J Sandwich

Friday, November 13th: At Kinard

- Spicy Chicken Sandwich
- PB & J Sandwich

*Please note students learning @Zach days eat lunch at Zach, but @ZOLA days can pick up lunch at Kinard.



New Information

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 5-10) 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/ 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. <u>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfi8XmNHrSZwImcF-</u> 8chMh5YjIWIQu5njWFB6gIktOof9T9lg/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: <u>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfF21IKRx-</u> 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!

ZEF

Please see attachment.

<u>Media Center</u>

We are preparing the MEDIA CENTER for a Grand Reopening!

We know everyone is excited to get access to library books and we are working hard to get books in hand! Please look for notification of overdue library books in the next couple of weeks and begin collecting those to bring back to school. We are waiving book fees for the time being. We want to make sure we keep our wonderful collection of books in our inventory for everyone to enjoy!

Reminders from Previous Family Memos

Winter Clothing

Is your family in need of some support with winter clothing? All students are required to have winter gear for recess. We are here to help! Please complete this confidential form if you need a little help with getting winter gear this year. Thank you!

Family Winter Needs Request/Solicitud de necesidades familiares de invierno

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: Winter Needs/Oferta para apoyar a una familia necesitada

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

Student Absence

Student absences will be reported on ParentVue, unless the student is experiencing COVID-19 symptoms, been exposed to COVID-19, and/or been tested for COVID-19. If that is the case, please call the attendance line to report your student's absence. Please submit your absence by 8am the day your child will be absent. To report an absence, log on to your ParentVue account https://www.psdschools.org/ParentVUE next to your student is a report absence button, click on that button, select the day(s) for which the student will be absent, enter a reason for the absence and fill in the note field. Click submit.

A note is required to excuse the absence. Absences submitted will be reviewed by the school Attendance Clerk. Absences submitted without a note are subject to being delayed, denied, or unexcused when reviewed by the Attendance Clerk. Please add to the note if your child will be absent all day or specify the times your child will be absent.

NOTE: Remote Learning should be used in situations where your student would be attending in person on their assigned A/B day but will be participating remotely.

(Example: Your student would normally be at school on Monday and Wednesday but is in quarantine; select 'Remote Learning' for Monday and Wednesday but not needed for Tuesday, Thursday since those are already remote days) Students that are absent with no parent reporting it in ParentVue will be marked unexcused.

ATTACHMENTS ZEF Fund

Zach Enrichment Fund (ZEF)

How big is ZEF's impact? This school year, to combat a loss of district funds, \$40,000 in ZEF funds was used to pay the salary, and preserve the employment, of two paraprofessional teachers. This action guaranteed that, among other things, classroom teachers received important materials prep and grading support and, most importantly, students retained vital access to individual and small group math and reading interventions.

How much ZEF money is left and what does that mean for our teachers? There is currently only \$2000 to fund all of this year's teacher grants.

What does that mean for our children? Reduced funding for supplements to classroom materials and resources will compromise teachers' ability to create extraordinary projects and experiences.

How can I do my part? You can pay with cash, via <u>School Pay</u>, or with a check made out to Zach Elementary PTO. 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 PE teacher, Mr. U, how he'd use ZEF funds this year. Here's what he said: I'd like more recess equipment and basketballs and four square balls for PE!

Days to Go	School Participation
27	16.63%

Here are the grade level participation figures after Week 1: Kinder: 14.49% First: 16.94% Second: 11.84% Third: 12.63% Fourth: 26.74% Fifth: 16.04% All School: 16.63%