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# **Mrs. Thomas' Top 10 Family Staycation Ideas**

We know some of our families are traveling away from home during Spring Break, and some are staying home. For those choosing to stay home, why not plan your ultimate family staycation! Here are Mrs. Thomas' Top 10 Family Northern Colorado Staycation ideas!

- 1. Picnic with takeout from a locally owned restaurant (Try something new to your family like Lucile's, Taj Mahal, or the Colorado Room)
- 2. Spend the night in a local hotel with a pool (Just google local hotels with pools for lots of options)
- 3. Go to the local Farmers Markets (Saturdays 9am on Oak St, and on Drake St; Wednesday 10am on Harmony)
- 4. Outdoor movie night (Amazon has screen and projectors starting at \$99)
- Family cooking night with all local ingredients <u>https://www.thechoppingblock.com/blog/family-cookingnight-meals-you-can-make-and-enjoy-together</u>
- 6. At home spa day https://www.feistylifemedia.com/home-spa-day/
- Go golfing, or another outdoor activity with good social distancing <u>https://www.fcgov.com/golf</u>
- 8. Take a tour of your city <u>https://www.visitftcollins.com/things-to-</u> <u>do/itineraries-tours</u>
- 9. Visit a LOCAL Park <u>https://cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/Lory</u>
- 10. Backyard Camping https://www.countryliving.com/entertaining/g27274046/backyardtent-camping/

Source; https://www.traveloffpath.com/top-10-staycation-and-local-travel-ideas/



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# **CMAS Testing**

### 2021 CMAS Testing School Schedule (2.15.21)

School: Zach Elementary

#### Please include the following for each day you plan to test:

 IT support is <u>not guaranteed</u> for any dates, given the limited number of support staff. In order to receive support, schools may need to be flexible with testing dates and/or start times. Availability will be determined after requests have been reviewed.

MON March 29 (ELA & Math)	TUES March 30 (ELA & Math)	WED March 31 (ELA & Math)	THUR Apr 1 (ELA & Math)	FRI Apr 2 (ELA & Math)
MON Apr 5 (ELA & Math)	TUE Apr 6 (ELA & Math) 5 <sup>th</sup> ELA 9:10-11:40	WED April 7 (ELA & Math) 5 <sup>th</sup> ELA 9:10-11:40	THUR April 8 (ELA & Math) 5 <sup>th</sup> ELA 9:10-11:40	FRI April 9 (ELA & Math)
MON April 12 (All CMAS)	TUE April 13 (All CMAS)	WED April 14 (All CMAS)	THUR April 15 (All CMAS)	FRI April 16 (NO SCHOOL)
	3 <sup>rd</sup> ELA 8:30-11:00 4 <sup>th</sup> ELA 8:30-10:30 5 <sup>th</sup> Science 9:10-11:40	3 <sup>rd</sup> ELA 8:30-11:00 4 <sup>th</sup> ELA 8:30-10:30 5 <sup>th</sup> Science 9:10-11:40	3 <sup>rd</sup> ELA 8:30-11:00 4 <sup>th</sup> ELA 8:30-10:30 5 <sup>th</sup> Science 9:10-11:40	
MON April 19 (All CMAS)	TUE April 20 (All CMAS)	WED April 21 (All CMAS)	THUR April 22 (All CMAS)	FRI April 23 (All CMAS)
	4 <sup>th</sup> Math 8:30-10:00	3 <sup>rd</sup> Math 8:30-11:00 4 <sup>th</sup> Math 8:30-10:00 5 <sup>th</sup> Math 9:10-11:40	3 <sup>rd</sup> Math 8:30-11:00 4 <sup>th</sup> Math 8:30-10:00 5 <sup>th</sup> Math 9:10-11:40	3 <sup>rd</sup> Math 8:30-11:00 5 <sup>th</sup> Math 9:10-11:40
April 26 (Make-Ups)	April 27 (Make-Ups)	April 28 (Make-Ups)	April 29 (Make-Ups)	April 30 (Make-Ups)

### Please consider the following number of units for each subject:

Elementary: ELA Gr.3-5: 3 units/ 90 min. (1.5 time = 135 minutes; 2.0 time = 180 minutes) Math Gr.3-5: 3 units/ 65 min. (1.5 time = 100 minutes; 2.0 time = 130 minutes) Social Studies Gr.4: 3 units/ 80 min. (1.5 time = 80 minutes; Double time = 110 minutes) Science Gr. 5: 3 units/ 80 min. (1.5 time = 80 minutes; Double time = 110 minutes)









Hello! Greetings from the Music Room! I am so thankful that students are back together making music. Just a few days ago we were given the go-ahead to sing in music class. We can only sing in little bits during music class, but we are so happy to sing together finally, after nearly a year!!

Last semester, Mr. Scott Wheeler (Kinard Middle School Chorus Director) had another one of his brilliant ideas to bring kids together to sing—even in the height of our remote learning time. The result was the first ever Cross-District Virtual Honor Choir. Students from Elementary, Middle and High School levels participated in this virtual choir. Zach had 7 singers perform in the choir: Evan Nelms, Cassidy Haag, Brynlee Fife, Kate Riggs, Sofia Skiba, Lucas Tishkowski and Toby Williams.

The Rising - Poudre School District Virtual Treble Choir

The Rising by Dr. Andrea Ramsey ©2014 MusicSpoke Publishing Performed by the 2020 Poudre School District Virtual Treble Choir. This ensemble was assembled from 13 elementary, middle, and high school singers from around Fort Collins, Colorado amidst the Covid19 Pandemic. Choirs may have stopped meeting together in person, but we remain together ...

Not only did we want to show our community that, even though separated physically, we still come together in song to bring forth hope. The forest scenes were filmed in the High Park Fire recovery area - a symbol both figuratively and literally of emergence from strife, especially after wildfires devastated tens-of-thousands of acres in our backyard. We hope you enjoy our performance.

Check it out on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OlrllN55il8







### **PSD Summer Music**

The Poudre School District is proud to offer an intensive summer music program for the band and orchestra students in PSD. For students just starting their experience, this program is the first step to success – with guidance on everything from opening the case and assembling the instrument to their first performance. For students who already play a band or orchestra instrument, the summer session allows students to continue to refine their technique and continue to bond with their friends and teachers over the summer.

It is our sincere hope that we will be able to offer summer music classes during the summer of 2021. Our first priority will be to the safety of the students and staff, so we are asking people to save these dates with the understanding that if Poudre School District or the Larimer Health Department determine it in the students' best interest to delay or cancel the program. We will make the adjustments and inform parents and students as quickly as we can. As regulations shift, please know, that all requirements regarding numbers of students, distancing and masks will be followed.



If your child is considering *Beginning Band or Beginning Orchestra* in 6<sup>th</sup> grade next year, please save this date! This program is where your child will learn the basics of playing and caring for their instrument in a small group setting prior to the start of school. These three weeks are an essential start to your child's success on their instrument. The Summer Music Program is one of many keys to our district's outstanding musical achievements.

Classes occur in the morning, are instrument specific, and are one hour in length. Registration forms and specific class times will be distributed by middle school directors to families that register for band or orchestra in the spring.

A great way to transition to Middle School!

Summer Beginning Music (for any band or orchestra student who will be starting an instrument in 2021-2022); Monday-Friday, July 19-August 6

Classes are offered in the mornings (beginning classes are 50 minutes; intermediate and advanced classes are 80 minutes) at numerous sites around Fort Collins and Wellington. We anticipate schedules and early registration for summer classes will begin after spring break. Registration information will be distributed by our current music teachers, or 5<sup>th</sup> grade classroom teachers, and our summer music web-site will go live at that time

(https://sites.google.com/a/psdschools.org/psd-summer-music/).

Questions about the summer music program should be directed to the music teacher at the school your child will attend in the fall, or to Scott Schlup@psdschools.com), summer music coordinator.

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As a Microsoft Registered Refurbisher, your donated equipment will be securely erased, reloaded, and prepared for shipment. Your donated laptops can be dropped off at Zach Elementary or pickup can be arranged. Contact John F. Clark at <u>GreatThinkPads@live.com</u> and please like our **Computers4Africa** Facebook page! Cash donations for shipping are also greatly appreciated



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How you can start earning money for your school

- 1. Sign up for home delivery service! Visit our website at MorningFreshDairy.com or call us at 970-482-5789
- 2. Drink your milk
- 3. Save your bottle caps
- 4. Collect caps from family & friends
- 5. Bring the caps to school & drop them in the collection box

# Happy St Patrick's Day!

### **Kindergarten 2021-2022 Registration**

Kindergarten registration for the 2021-2022 is now open. Please visit the Kindergarten page on the Zach website for information and registration link. <u>https://zac.psdschools.org/kindergarten-2021-2022</u>

## Volunteers

PSD is allowing us to have volunteers to support outdoor recess. We need regular volunteers to help supervise grade level at recess. Volunteers will be expected to wear an orange vest, mask and clear face shield, the school can provide. Volunteers are expected to remain 6ft from all staff and students, except their own children of course. You will work closely with the grade level recess supervisors to support student engagement and activities. If you can commit to daily, weekly or anything in between of volunteer supervision, we would appreciate it.

Recess times we need support are as follows: 12:45-1:00 (4th grade) 1:05-1:30 (5th grade)

If interested, please email <u>zachinfo@psdschools.org</u> the days and times that you are available so we can put a schedule together. Thank you!

# **Help for ParentVUE App**

Please click on the link below for help with the ParentVUE app. https://techportal.psdschools.org/Guide/parentvue-using-your-parentvue-account-mobile-device



# March 12th and April 19th

Parents! PSD has added two new teacher workdays to the calendar this spring on Friday, March 12 and Monday, April 19. On these two days, elementary students will not go to school; middle and high schoolers will participate in asynchronous online learning days.



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# Zach Breakfast Menu

# March 2021

### Zach In - Person

### Breakfast

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 WGR Pumpkin Bread or Seasonal Loaf Bread Muffin: Assorted Flavors Whole Fruit, or Substitute Lowfat Milk Apple Juice, or Variety	2 • Breakfast Sausage Pizza • Cereal Variety • Applesauce or Fruit Cup or Substitute • Lowfat Milk • Apple Juice, or Variety	3 • Breakfast Round • Muffin: Assorted Flavors • Fresh Berries, or Substitute • Lowfat Milk • Apple Juice, or Variety	4 • French toast sticks • Cereal Variety • Fresh Berries, or Substitute • Lowfat Milk • Apple Juice, or Variety	5 • Pancakes & Sausage • WGR Grahamz Crackers • Yogurt • Whole Fruit, or Substitute • Lowfat Milk • Apple Juice, or Variety
8 Mini Cinnamon Rolls Muffin: Assorted Flavors Whole Fruit, or Substitute Lowfat Milk Apple Juice, or Variety	9 • Breakfast Sausage Pizza • Cereal Variety • Whole Fruit, or Substitute • Lowfat Milk • Apple Juice, or Variety	10 • WW Bagel & cream cheese • Muffin: Assorted Flavors • Applesauce or Fruit Cup or Substitute • Lowfat Milk • Apple Juice, or Variety	11 • Breakfast Round • Cereal Variety • Applesauce or Fruit Cup or Substitute • Lowfat Milk • Apple Juice, or Variety	<ul> <li>Pancake Sausage Wrap BIG</li> <li>WGR Grahamz Crackers</li> <li>Yogurt</li> <li>Fresh Berries, or Substitute</li> <li>Lowfat Milk</li> <li>Apple Juice, or Variety</li> </ul>
15 Sphing BREAK	<ul> <li>No School Today</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>17</li> <li>No School Today</li> </ul>	<ul><li>18</li><li>No School Today</li></ul>	<ul> <li>19</li> <li>No School Today</li> </ul>
22 Pancakes & Sausage Muffin: Assorted Flavors Whole Fruit, or Substitute Lowfat Milk Apple Juice, or Variety	<ul> <li>23</li> <li>WGR Pumpkin Bread or Seasonal Loaf Bread</li> <li>Cereal Variety</li> <li>Applesauce or Fruit Cup or Substitute</li> <li>Lowfat Milk</li> <li>Apple Juice, or Variety</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>24</li> <li>Breakfast Round</li> <li>Muffin: Assorted Flavors</li> <li>Applesauce or Fruit Cup or Substitute</li> <li>Lowfat Milk</li> <li>Apple Juice, or Variety</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>25</li> <li>Pancake Sausage Wrap BIC</li> <li>Cereal Variety</li> <li>Fresh Berries, or Substitute</li> <li>Lowfat Milk</li> <li>Apple Juice, or Variety</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Egg &amp; Cheese Breakfast Burrito</li> <li>WGR Grahamz Crackers</li> <li>Yogurt</li> <li>Whole Fruit, or Substitute</li> <li>Lowfat Milk</li> <li>Apple Juice, or Variety</li> </ul>
29 Mini Cinnamon Rolls Muffin: Assorted Flavors Whole Fruit, or Substitute Lowfat Milk Apple Juice, or Variety	30 • Egg & Cheese Breakfast Burrito • Cereal Variety • Whole Fruit, or Substitute • Lowfat Milk • Apple Juice, or Variety	<ul> <li>WW Bagel &amp; cream cheese</li> <li>Muffin: Assorted Flavors</li> <li>Applesauce or Fruit Cup or Substitute</li> <li>Lowfat Milk</li> <li>Apple Juice, or Variety</li> </ul>		

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# Zach Lunch Menu

# March 2021

### Zach In - Person

### Lunch

MONDAY	THEODAY	WEDNIEGDAY	THUDODAY	CDIDAY
1 Chicken Patty Sandwich Pb&J Sandwich Grapes Snap Peas & Red Bell Peppers, or Substitute Chocolate Milk	<b>2</b> • Cheese Ravioli & Goldfish Crackers         • Turkey Club Wrap         • Applesauce & Fruit Cup or Substitute         • Carrots & Celery Sticks, or Substitute         • Chocolate Milk	WEDNESDAY 3 • Cheeseburger • Pb&J Sandwich • Fresh Berries, or Substitute • Salad with dressing • Chocolate Milk	4         • Beef & Bean Burrito         • Turkey & Cheese Sandwich         • Fresh Pear         • Cherry Tomatoes & Cucumber Slices or Substitute         • Chocolate Milk	FRIDAY 5 • Cheese Pizza • Yogurt Parfait • Whole Fruit, or Substitute • Fresh Broccoli, or Substitute • Chocolate Milk
8 Cheese Calzone & Marinara Club Sandwich Fresh Berries, or Substitute Carrots & Celery Sticks, or Substitute Chocolate Milk	9 • Mac & Cheese • ColdDeli Yogurt & Goldfish • Whole Fruit, or Substitute • Snap Peas & Red Bell Peppers, or Substitute • Chocolate Milk	<ul> <li>Pig in a Blanket</li> <li>Pb&amp;J Sandwich</li> <li>Fresh Pear</li> <li>Cherry Tomatoes &amp; Cucumber Slices or Substitute</li> <li>Chocolate Milk</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Chicken &amp; Waffles</li> <li>ColdDeli Yogurt &amp; Goldfish</li> <li>Grapes</li> <li>Salad with dressing</li> <li>Chocolate Milk</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pepperoni Pizza</li> <li>Chicken Caesar Wrap</li> <li>Whole Fruit, or Substitute</li> <li>Fresh Broccoli, or Substitute</li> <li>Chocolate Milk</li> </ul>
15 SPRING BREAK	• No School Today	<ul> <li>17</li> <li>No School Today</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>18</li> <li>No School Today</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>19</li> <li>No School Today</li> </ul>
22 Chicken Drumsticks Chef Salad Grapes Snap Peas & Red Bell Peppers, or Substitute Chocolate Milk	23 • Penne & Meat Sauce • ColdDeli Yogurt & Goldfish • Applesauce & Fruit Cup or Substitute • Carrots & Cucumbers Slices, or Substitute • Chocolate Milk	<ul> <li>24</li> <li>Chicken Patty Sandwich</li> <li>Pb&amp;J Sandwich</li> <li>Fresh Berries, or Substitute</li> <li>Salad with dressing</li> <li>Chocolate Milk</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>25</li> <li>Beef &amp; Bean Burrito</li> <li>ColdDeli Yogurt &amp; Goldfish</li> <li>Fresh Pear</li> <li>Cherry Tomatoes &amp; Celery Sticks or Substitute</li> <li>Chocolate Milk</li> </ul>	26 • Cheese Pizza • Pb&J Sandwich • Whole Fruit, or Substitute • Fresh Broccoli, or Substitute • Chocolate Milk
29 Chicken Nuggets Ham & Cheese Sandwich Applesauce & Fruit Cup or Substitute Carrots & Celery Sticks, or Substitute Chocolate Milk	30 • Mac & Cheese • Chicken Caesar Wrap • Fresh Berries, or Substitute • Snap Peas & Red Bell Peppers, or Substitute • Chocolate Milk	31 • Teriyaki Meatballs & Rice • Pb&J Sandwich • Fresh Pear • Cherry Tomatoes & Celery Sticks or Substitute • Chocolate Milk		

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### **Calendar of Events**

Monday, March 1 Phase 4- All Students in Person Learning 6:00pm Beyond Consequences Parenting Class

Tuesday, March 2 Phase 4- All Students in Person Learning

Wednesday, March 3 Phase 4- All Students in Person Learning

Thursday, March 4 Phase 4- All Students in Person Learning

Friday, March 5 Phase 4- All Students in Person Learning

Monday, March 8 Phase 4- All Students in Person Learning 6:00pm Beyond Consequences Parenting Class

Tuesday, March 9 Phase 4- All Students in Person Learning

Wednesday, March 10 Phase 4- All Students in Person Learning 5:00pm PTO Meeting

Thursday, March 11 Phase 4- All Students in Person Learning

Friday, March 12 No School- Teacher Workday

Monday, March 15 Spring Break Tuesday, March 16 Spring Break Wednesday, March 17

Spring Break

Thursday, March 18 Spring Break

Friday, March 19 Spring Break



Tuesday, March 23 Phase 4- All Students in Person Learning

Wednesday, March 24 Phase 4- All Students in Person Learning

Thursday, March 25 Phase 4- All Students in Person Learning

Friday, March 26 Phase 4- All Students in Person Learning

Monday, March 29 Phase 4- All Students in Person Learning

Tuesday, March 30 Phase 4- All Students in Person Learning

Wednesday, March 31 Phase 4- All Students in Person Learning





