## Coal Creek News \* BOULDER V



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#### Calendar

#### February 8

-Deployment Day for Home Learners

-Parent/Teacher Conferences

-CCE Mobile COVID Testing

#### February 10

Parent/Teacher Conferences

#### February 11

Valentines Parties - 1:30PM

#### February 12

Professional Development Day No School

#### February 15

President's Day – No School

#### February 22

Deployment Day for Home Learners

#### February 24

**CCE Mobile COVID Testing** 

#### February 25

Report Cards Available in IC

Hello CCE community! The results are in...on Groundhog Day 2021, Punxsutawney Phil found his shadow. As the legend goes, this means we're in for 6 more weeks of winter. I was hoping that would be the case. Skiing and boarding have been wonderful outlets this year for many of our families so why not keep it going?!?

Special thanks to our parents and community for your continued support in the Hug and Go lane. For the most part, things are going well, but there are a couple of areas where we can do better. Please continue to use the crosswalk anytime when crossing the street at CCE. There have also been a few times when drivers have done u-turns to pull out of the Hug and Go lane. Adherence to these important actions will always be the best ways to model how much we value safety for our children. We continue to hear from our community members about how much they also appreciate the focus and follow through during the drop off and pick up times at Coal Creek...thank you always for your partnership in these areas!

We would like to extend a big thank you to our PTA and parent community for providing our staff this month with some great meals during our Parent Teacher Conference nights. Your generosity, time and thoughtfulness is always appreciated. This is yet another example of how our parent community supports and takes care of our staff at CCE!

Following the BVSD recent communication about BU Link. I have received a few questions from parents about details so I thought I would share them in the bulletin. Starting in August 2021, BVSD is launching a new virtual learning option for the 2021-22 School Year, BU LINK. LINK is a centralized online learning environment, offered through Boulder Universal, that will provide students a structured, live instruction learning environment similar to what students would experience in the traditional classroom. LINK allows students to remain connected to their home school through school-based communications, activities, and extracurricular opportunities, as available, but their online instruction will be provided centrally by Boulder Universal staff.

#### Where can I find more information about BU Link?

Details and FAQs can be found on the BU website here.

#### When do I need to opt in for BU Link?

Now through February 10th you can opt-in to BU Link by logging in to Infinite Campus and following these instructions.

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#### Want to enroll after the opt-in window has closed?

After the February 10th deadline, families who are interested in enrolling in Boulder Universal (traditional) or LINK, can submit an Open Enrollment application (see this page for information) and will be considered on a space available basis.

#### **Boulder Universal Special Enrollment to Continue**

With the expectation that impacts from the pandemic will continue into next school year, we have decided to extend our Boulder Universal Special Enrollment one more year.

Students in the following situations will have the opportunity to return to their previous school\* following the 2021-22 school year:

- Enrolled into Boulder Universal last fall and want to stay one more year
- Enroll in Boulder Universal in the upcoming registration window
- Enroll in LINK Powered by BU in the upcoming registration window

Our goal is to ensure students who need remote learning for health reasons or because they are not comfortable with returning to in-person learning have the opportunity to take advantage of Boulder Universal's offerings next year, without it impacting their enrollment\*.

\*Some restrictions apply. CLICK HERE to learn More about Boulder Universal Special Enrollment

#### Have questions about BU or LINK?

Boulder Universal will be hosting a virtual open house focused on answering questions about BU Link on February 8th at 11:00a.m. <u>Register for these sessions here.</u> You can also email <u>boulder.universal@bvsd.org</u> for more information.

I also wanted to follow up on other district communication around equal time for elementary students in BVSD schools and what that means for us at CCE. Starting in August 2021, all elementary schools will move to a 7-hour school day with the same start and end times. Along with this change, there will be a district-wide 1-hour late start on Wednesdays for all schools for professional development. In BVSD, the length of the school day for elementary students ranges from six and a half hours to more than seven. Over the course of a school year, that half-hour difference adds up to more than 13 days, and the disparity grows more dramatic over a student's elementary school career. As you all know, the current length of our school day at CCE is 6.5 hours. Starting in Aug 2021, our school hours for students on M, T, Th, F will be 7:45-2:45 and Wed will be 8:45-2:45. If anyone would like to participate in a survey, please provide feedback at the following BVSD Equal School Day survey/feedback site There is an engagement forum on our "Let's Talk BVSD" webpage. BVSD is gathering feedback and encouraging families to participate in this survey about what additional support might be helpful, such as before and after school child care or enrichment programs or having breakfast available at school.

Final reminder also about Spring conferences and the two final dates of 2/8 and 2/10. We had another successful experience last night with conducting these virtually. Thank you for the flexibility and collaboration of meeting with us online:)

Lastly, if you are interested in utilizing the BVSD Mobile Covid Testing Site at CCE, please look for more information in this newsletter about the logistics, registration and other details.

~One Grateful Puma, Brian Muñoz

## **Report Cards**

Grades 1 - 5 Available in IC on November 13

Parent View Report Card Guidelines



## **Deployment Dates for Home Learners**

2/8, 2/22, 3/8, 3/29, 4/12, 4/26, 5/10



## **Home Learner Announcement Change**

Due to schedule conflicts, announcements for home learners will change from 8:15AM to 8:10AM



## FREE Breakfast Time Change

Breakfast is now available from 7:50AM - 8:05AM



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## All School Art Show: March 16th

We are planning to celebrate student creativity at Coal Creek with an art show. It will look different than in the past. Art will be hung at school for students to enjoy.

We look forward to sharing the show with you virtually.

Look for the link to the show in your email on Tuesday March 16th.

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#### From the Coal Creek Library

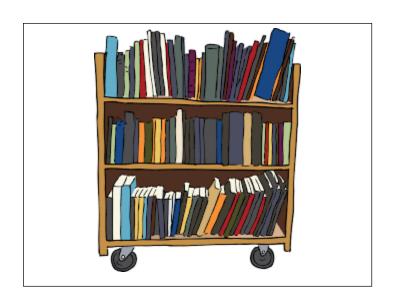
It has been wonderful having students back in the library to checkout books! The library feels alive again. :) If you are a home learner you can continue to reserve books for pick up on Deployment days.

A huge shout out to the 3rd through 5th grade Battle of the Books Groups! You are doing a great job and showing your love for reading. I enjoy meeting with you to discuss the books and answer trivia questions. Your enthusiasm and effort make me smile! Thank you.

Keep on Reading!

Your Librarians,

Mrs. Kirby and Mrs. Montoya



## Coal Creek will host Mobile COVID Testing on:

February 8, February 24 and March 11

Time: 9:30AM - 4:00PM

To register your student, go to the BVSD Testing Sites Page

Staff and students can be tested at mobile sites.

Community members can only be tested at the Centaurus site.

Testing hotline for more information: 720.561.8652

If at any time you want to remove your student from testing approval please e:mail: <a href="mailto:legal@covidcheckcolorado.org">legal@covidcheckcolorado.org</a>

## **PTA News**

Hello Puma Families!!



I hope this newsletter finds you well and healthy! In years past we asked families to bring in food for conference meals since that could not happen this year. The PTA is covering the cost to provide dinner to our amazing teachers on the 3 nights of our Parent Teacher conferences. Thank you for your continued support of the PTA, it allows us to in return support our amazing school!

Our next Dining for Dollars event will be at Smashburger on McCaslin Rd on Monday February 22nd. Mention CCE at check out and a portion of your bill will come back to the PTA.



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Lastly, we are going to combine our next PTA member meeting with the CCAT meeting. Our PTA meeting scheduled for February 26th will be cancelled. Our next meeting with the CCAT team is on Monday March 1st at 8am on Google meet. Link below.

meet.google.com/gyq-frky-ct

During this meeting, the principal from Louisville Middle School, Chris Meyer will be presenting to parents about the transition to middle school and the LMS experience.

Wishing you all a healthy and love filled February,

Your PTA Board

# Join us for a Parent Workshop

Web Event for
Louisville Middle School
Wednesday, March 10th
6:00-7:15pm

















Little-Known Secrets of Paying for College

For many families, the high cost of higher education is a daunting proposition. Parents lie awake at night trying to figure out how to afford sending their children to college and still have enough of their hard earned money to be able to retire one day. Some families have children attending college next year and others have 12 years to plan; but the fears of tackling these monumental and rising costs are the same. The College Funding Coach® is here to help families figure out HOW to pay for it!

Through our nationally renowned educational workshop learn how to send your kids to college without going broke!

- Strategies to attend private universities for the same out of pocket cost as in-state schools
- Effective ways to simultaneously save AND pay for college
- Unique strategies to pay for multiple children attending college at the same time
- An insider's view of the college admissions process
- How to recapture out of pocket college costs
- Avoid jeopardizing your retirement nest egg
- \* And much, much more!

#### **Zoom Web Event**

To RSVP, please <u>Click here</u> or visit our website at <u>thecollegefundingcoach.org</u>.

#### Parent Reviews:

"Excellent Class!" - John & Monica M.

"Highly informative!" - Bill & Renee M.

"The presentation was excellent; I was impressed as a counselor and a parent."-Patrick C.

"First seminar I attended that addressed all the issues of college funding & what to expect as parents." – Maria C.

"By my calculations, over the course of four years the evening we spent will save this family \$126,180." - John S.

Meet the Founder: Brock T. Jolly, CFP®, ChFC®, CLU®, CLTC, CASL®, CFBS®, is a Financial Advisor and regular educator in community and professional groups on college financing, tax reduction strategies, and retirement planning. His practice is dedicated to helping families implement creative long-term financial strategies to fund college and retirement with minimal out-of-pocket cost. Brock is a graduate of the University of Virginia. For additional questions, please feel free to call Brock at 703-424-2401.