Bear Creek Carnival

"Thank you to our parent & student volunteers for an amazing event!!"
### BEAR CREEK CALENDAR

**AT - A - GLANCE**

**Friday, September 15**
Intramurals Begin

**Monday, September 18**
NO SCHOOL - Professional Development Day

**Tuesday, September 19**
Picture Day
Jump Rope Begins

**Friday, September 22**
PTO Coffee @ 8:40

**Thursday, September 28**
Blue Sky Bridge Staff & Parent Meeting

**Monday, October 2**
Official Student Count Day

**Tuesday, October 3**
Blue Sky Bridge grade 3
3:15 SAC

**Friday, October 6**
Bear Creek Fun Run
(rain date on 9th)

**Tuesday, October 10**
PTO Meeting @ 1:30

**Friday, October 13**
NO SCHOOL - Professional Development Day

**Monday, October 16**
Garden Committee @ 8:45

**Tuesday, October 17**
Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30 - 7:00

**Tuesday, October 17 - Thursday, October 19**
Book Fair

**Wednesday, October 18**
Bear Creek Flu Clinic @ 3:00

### BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

As you are looking for activities for your children to participate in before and after school, I just wanted to give you a “heads-up” about where to look for activities that are happening at Bear Creek, and which ones are Bear Creek and BVSD sponsored.

*Starting today in Bear Tracks, you will see opportunities for your children to participate in school sponsored clubs such as intramural sports, jump rope, Spotlights, and drumming club. Bear Creek clubs are supervised by Bear Creek staff.*

*Lifelong Learning*, which is part of BVSD’s Community Schools Program runs many wonderful activities for students in schools across the district. If you go to their web-page you can find great kid classes, many of which will happen right at our school! Lifelong Learning will send you email alerts of activities that are happening at Bear Creek. You can sign up for classes at any location, but parents have found it particularly accommodating when classes happen right at Bear Creek. This fall at Bear Creek Lifelong Learning will offer at Bear Creek such things as chess, basketball, Spanish classes, and Lego building.

*Finally, please check the Community Board in our front hallway where other activities that are not sponsored by the school or Lifelong Learning can be posted. Oftentimes these activities happen at Bear Creek, as groups can rent some of our spaces after school.*

### LOST and FOUND

The lost and found is located at the end of the hallway by the gym between the inside and outside doors.

**September Thrive Update**, Parent Engagement Network announces its annual kick-off, which will be on Sept. 19 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Fairview High School.

### K-3rd Nature Club

Mondays, Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23 at 3 - 4:15 meeting in Kallio/Martin Kindergarten room for attendance & snack. We will be outside exploring nature through games and nature journaling. Please have your child bring a water bottle, snack, and dress for the weather. Sign up at debsrun@comcast.net and I will confirm. Free, limit 15 students.

Thank you, Deb Martin, Early Childhood Educator/Naturalist

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**Tuesday, September 19th** is Picture Day. Your student has received an order form in their Friday folder. Please return your forms by the 19th as your student needs to hand it to the photographer, unless you ordered online. There will be a retake day in November if your child is ill or your family is out of town. Remember to bring a smile! I still need volunteers!! Go to HelpAtSchool
AS A NEW SCHOOL YEAR BEGINS...
SOME HELPFUL HINTS FROM THE OFFICE

School Hours: School begins at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 3:00 p.m. Morning Kindergarten session is from 8:30 a.m. to 11:20 a.m. Afternoon Kindergarten session is from 12:05 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Playground Supervision: The playground is supervised for 15 minutes before school starts and for 15 minutes after dismissal. Students should not arrive before 8:15 a.m., as there is no supervision prior to this time. Students should leave the school grounds promptly after dismissal at 3:00 p.m.

Inclement Weather: Students do not enter the building until the entrance bell, except in the event of bad weather. A red flag on the flag pole will signal that students may come inside before the morning bell, and a green flag will signal that students should remain on the playground until school begins.

Bear Creek Bike Policy: Students are permitted to ride bikes, skateboards, scooters and unicycles to school. All students are to wear a helmet. Please dismount on the edge of the Bear Creek property and walk your bike or scooter to the rack. Ride safely. Bike racks are located in 3 places on our campus and skateboards now have racks in the front.

Tardiness: We believe that regular school attendance and being on time is of the utmost importance. The warning bell will ring at 8:28 a.m. and the regular bell at 8:29 to allow students enough time to be seated, ready, and in class by the time announcements start at 8:33 a.m. A student not in their seat at 8:35 a.m. needs to report as tardy to the office.

Early Dismissals: If your child must be dismissed early or excused from school for a brief period of time, please see his/her teacher to determine the necessary arrangements. In addition, please stop by the office to sign your child out and back in (if applicable).

Visitors/Volunteers: All visitors are asked to stop by the school office, sign in, pick-up and wear a visitor or volunteer badge every time they visit. Please return the badge to the office and sign out upon leaving the building. We know many of you are here regularly to volunteer, but we ask that you still check in every time.

Play Dates: After-school arrangements should be made prior to the beginning of school. It is not always possible to get a message to a classroom during the last minutes of the day. We understand that emergencies come up and we will try to help when this happens.

Absences: Please call the office at 720-561-3502 by 8:45 a.m. if your child will be late or absent. If you know your child will miss the following day at school, please call and leave a message for the office staff on the Bear Creek voicemail.
Because we are all back together and like to share everything, we want to remind parents of BVSD guidelines for keeping your student at home and good hygiene practices.

Guidelines for Keeping Your Student Home

- **Fever, vomiting, or diarrhea**: Your student should remain home for 24 hours after symptoms end.
- **Colds/respiratory viruses**: Keep your student home at the beginning of a cold. This is also the time when one is most infectious and least likely to feel well enough to participate in class. When he/she feels better and no longer has a persistent cough, it is permissible to return to school.
- **Strep throat**: Your student may return to school after taking the antibiotic for 24 hours, feeling better, and being free of symptoms.

  Your child will be sent home if he/she has a temperature of 101° or 100° accompanied by any other symptoms.

Take everyday preventive actions to stop the spread of germs. (taken from the CDC website on Flu Prevention)

- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it. Wash your hands often with soap and water. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand rub.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth. Germs spread this way.
- Try to avoid close contact with sick people.

- If you are sick with flu–like illness, CDC recommends that you stay home for at least 24 hours after your fever is gone except to get medical care or for other necessities. (Your fever should be gone without the use of a fever-reducing medicine.)

While sick, limit contact with others as much as possible to keep from infecting them.

**Strep throat and Sore throat** (taken from the CDC website on Strep Throat in Kids)

Not all sore throats are strep throats. Most episodes of sore throat — which can be accompanied by a runny nose, cough, hoarseness, and red eyes — are caused by viruses and usually clear up on their own without medical treatment.

A child with strep throat will start to develop other symptoms within about 3 days, such as:

- red and white patches in the throat
- difficulty swallowing
- tender or swollen glands (lymph nodes) in the neck
- red and enlarged tonsils
- Headache
- lower stomach pain
- fever
- general discomfort, uneasiness, or ill feeling
- loss of appetite and nausea
- rash

Strep throat usually requires treatment with antibiotics. With the proper medical care — along with plenty of rest and fluids — a child should be back to school and play within a few days.

What is the right way to wash your hands?

- Wet your hands with clean, running water (warm or cold) and apply soap.
- Rub your hands together to make a lather and scrub them well; be sure to scrub the backs of your hands, between your fingers, and under your nails.
- Continue rubbing your hands for at least 20 seconds. Need a timer? Hum the "Happy Birthday" song from beginning to end twice.
- Rinse your hands well under running water.
- Dry your hands using a clean towel or air dry them.
LUNCHROOM INFORMATION

Negative Balance:
With all the new and exciting changes Nutrition Services is making, we will always feed our students and will allow their accounts to go in arrears. Nutrition Services staff will be generating letters from the QSP POS system and will have them distributed through homeroom teachers in Friday folders. We will also be making phone calls and sending emails to parents directly from Nutrition Services Dept.

Food Allergies:
BVSD is prohibited by USDA regulations to make any milk substitutions unless we have on file a disability form filled out and signed by a medical physician. If a child has a severe allergy that is considered a disability, parents can take the Disability Form to a medical physician (e.g. not a nurse practitioner).

The doctor must fill out Part B Prescribed Diet Order and detail what food to omit and what food to substitute. Parent needs to bring signed form back to school nurse and we need a copy at the Food Service office before we can make any substitutions.

If a parent does not wish to have the disability form filled out, we cannot make milk substitutions. However, the child always has the option to refuse the milk and take a minimum 3 of the 4 other meal components offered (fruit, veg, grain, protein), and drink water or purchase a juice.

Nutritional information as well as allergy information can be found at www.bvsd.org/food/Pages/default.aspx

Lunch Fees

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Paying for Lunch:

About Your Child’s Cafeteria Meal Account:

- All students have a personal meal account. Students access their account using their six-digit student ID#.
- Putting money on your student’s account in advance eliminates the need for your child to remember to bring money to school daily. Having money in their account also helps keep lunch lines moving.
- Send cash or check in any dollar amount to be credited to your child’s personal meal account, or go to MyPaymentsPlus.com to add money to their account. MyPaymentsPlus.com is fast, easy and very convenient to use.
- With MyPaymentsPlus.com you can set up a low-balance email reminder for when your student’s account gets below a level you choose. If you prefer, you can set up an auto-refill when your student’s account drops to zero. No money is ever charged to your credit card without your approval and there are no transaction fees.
- If using checks, please make payable to: Boulder Valley School District. Write your child’s first and last name and student ID# on the check to be sure the money is deposited in the correct account.
- When students bring a lunch from home, they may use their account to purchase milk, juice and side salad bar.

Please contact the cafeteria or MyPaymentsPlus.com as needed to check on your child’s account balance before it gets too low.

Cash and Checks. Please make checks payable to BVSD and include your child’s full name and student ID#. With cash payments, please be sure the money is in a securely sealed envelope with full name and student ID number on the envelope. Money can be divided among siblings at the same school; please make a note if you would like to do this, and note the dollar amount per child.

Free/Reduced Lunch Program. Free and Reduced are online under Parent Portal

Lunch Times:

- K-Enrichment Program: 11:15 - 12:05
- Kindergarten: 11:20 -12:05
- 1st Grade: 12:15 - 12:55
- 2nd Grade: 11:45 - 12:20
- 3rd Grade: 12:00 - 12:40
- 4th Grade: 11:30 - 12:10
- 5th Grade: 12:25 - 1:05

If you have any questions, please contact http://bvsd.org/food/Pages/default.aspx or the Bear Creek Office.
2017 Bear Creek Carnival Pictures by Jeff Finkelstein
More Carnival Pictures
Thank you
Michelle Wellington, Annie Haselfeld, Hope Sieck, Margaret Selby, Leslie Glebe, Leigh Gannan and Alyson Wiedenheft for a wonderful Carnival

PTOPULSE

Next Meeting
Oct 10, 1:30 pm in the fishbowl

We need volunteers for the upcoming events:

Sep 19
Picture Day

Oct 17th
Book Fair Cashiers

Oct 17th 19th 25th
Conference Dinners

First we would like to welcome our new boardmembers; Michael Bucey, Nikki Howley and Wenyan Zou.

Second we would like to thank everyone who have donated to our TLC campaign. Your donations have made it possible for the PTO to pay:

• $21,600 for classroom supplies
• $8,200 for fieldtrips
• $6,000 first payment for para educators
• $5,000 for Music, Art and PE
• $530 for swamp coolers

Among other expenses, we have still to pay $28,000 for para educators, so please consider to donate today. If you are experiencing hardship, please know that we are grateful for any and every donation. We would love every family to be invested in the Bear Creek Community!

Bear Creek PTO has a wonderful “team” of volunteers that truly make a difference. Please join our community and sign up today at www.helpatschool.org

Welcome to our next PTO meeting, October 10th at 1:30pm in the fishbowl. All parents are invited to attend. This is where you can learn more about what the PTO does for our students and the events that we plan to do throughout the year. You also get the chance to voice your opinions and ask questions.

Karin Larsson, PTO Chair
karin.larsson@gmail.com

Deadline to reach 70% participation in our TLC campaign for a $5000 corporate match

SEP 20TH

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: www.HelpAtSchool.org
Tools for Learning Challenge (TLC) Fundraiser

Update:

As of today, we are at $64,726 with 227 families participating. This is a 65% participation rate. We need 14 more Families to donate ANY amount to make it to 70%. If you have not donated yet, please do so ASAP. We have Until Wednesday 9/20 to meet this 70% goal then we can unlock a $5000 corporate match from a generous family. Thanks for all your contributions!

How much do we donate and what does it buy?

- **The TLC goal is $70,000.** To cover this, we ask each family to make a donation of $225 per student or ANY amount to support our school at the beginning of the school year. Deadline is September 29th, so let’s do this! Here’s a graph breakdown of how we distribute the $225:

![](image)

How to donate:

**Cash/Check:** Simply mail the donation card (which you received in a mailed packet) along with a check at any time. If you don’t have a card there are more at The TLC drop box in the school office. Checks should be made payable to BCPTO.

**Debit/Credit:** To make an online contribution using a credit or debit card, visit [https://squareup.com/store/bearcreek-pto](https://squareup.com/store/bearcreek-pto). Online donations are charged 2.9% + $0.30 per transaction.

View the full PTO 2017-18 budget and updated fundraising information at [http://www.bearcreekpto.com](http://www.bearcreekpto.com)
First Come – First served

X-tra Safety shirts $10

We only have:
- 3 M Youth
- 16 M Large
- 16 Adult small

The shirts can be purchased through Beth in the office. If you want a shirt, but didn’t make it in time, please send me an email or let Beth know.

There is also a sign up sheet in the office. If we have enough interest in more shirts, another order will be placed for all sizes with ore-orders only.

DEADLINE is Friday, September 22

Karin.f.larsson@gmail.com
PTO Hospitality Presents:
Classroom Sponsored Teacher Appreciation Snacks

Two Wednesdays a month classroom parents will sponsor "Appreciation Snacks" for the Bear Creek teachers and staff to express thanks for their hard work. Starting with the 5th grade, September 6th, Mrs. Ewing’s class parents will kick it off. Each classroom will have their chance during the school year to participate.

Each Job requires (3) parents from the specified classroom to provide yummy snacks on behalf of the entire classroom for approximately 15 (total of 45) teachers and staff. Snacks are dropped off before 8:30 on the specified Wednesday to the Teacher’s Lounge at Bear Creek. At the end of the day you collect your empty containers at pick up. It’s so easy!

Some items that have been a hit in the past include bagels, lox and cream cheese, egg dishes, assorted fruit and fruit salads, veggie salads and trays, and of course the sweet stuff. Please visit https://helpatschool.org to sign up. Thank you in advance for your participation!

All dates are Wednesdays, here's the schedule:

September 20, Mr. Henkhaus’ class
October 4, Mrs. Kidder’s class
October 18, Mrs. Hawk’s class
November 1, Mrs. Ellis’s class
November 15, Mrs. Wilmers’ class
December 6, Mrs. Casey’s class
December 20, Mrs. Platt’s class
January 10, Mrs. Hill’s class
January 24, Mrs. Jenak’s class
February 7, Mrs. Hattendorf’s class
February 21, Ms. Koch’s class
March 7, Mrs. Briggs’ class
March 21, Mrs. Norton’s class
April 4, Mr. Neiman’s class
April 18, Mrs. Kallio and Bulow’s classes

Contact brigetta.stephenson@gmail.com with questions or comments.

Additional information about Bear Creek can be found on the website at http://www.bvsd.org/schools/bearcreek/.
SHOP FOR GROCERIES AT LUCKY'S OR KING SOOPERS AND EARN $$ FOR BEAR CREEK!

IT'S EASY!

Pick up a reloadable card from the BCPTO or from the front office: Lucky's or King Soopers, or one of each! Please bring $10 for a Lucky's card, $5 for a King Soopers card. These cards can be reloaded at the cash register... every time you reload the card, these grocery stores award Bear Creek with cash back! 7% back from Lucky's and 5% back from King Soopers. So support your school and our kids by using your reloadable card when you buy your groceries and gas! Thanks!!

- the Bear Creek PTO
Where Have All the Cell Phones Gone?

The EPA states that for every 1 million cell phones recycled we can reclaim...

- 35,274 pounds of copper
- 772 pounds of silver
- 75 pounds of gold
- 33 pounds of palladium

In fact, today, there are 327.5 million cell phones in use in the US alone... and 6.9 billion worldwide.

Bear Creek has received over $700 from this recycling!

The Wireless Alliance is a cell phone and ink cartridge recycling company. We work with wireless retail stores, e-waste recyclers, schools, universities, state and local government, large corporations and non-profit organizations to collect and recycle cellular equipment and ink cartridges. All equipment is repurposed in a zero waste, environmentally-conscious manner. Since 2001, The Wireless Alliance has reclaimed over 500 tons of wireless equipment from landfills, contributing to a cleaner and safer environment.

Items we accept:
- All cell phones, smart phones, PDA’s, iPods, digital cameras, and iPads regardless of age or condition
- Chargers
- Rechargeable cell phone batteries
- All accessories including: Bluetooth, air cards, clips and cases
- Paper manuals and plastic packaging

All ink cartridges

Bear Creek receives a portion of the proceeds from the recycling of these products and has both a cell phone and ink cartridge container in the foyer of the school building.
LEARN MORE ABOUT BOX TOPS AT GETTIE.COM

Family clips Box Tops. Imagine how much our school can earn!

Our school can use that money to buy anything it needs. If every

Twice a year we submit all our school's Box Tops and receive a check.

BUY

$ = ☐ + ☐ + ☐

Here's how Box Tops Works:

See a list of participating products at GETTIE.COM/PRODUCTS

including cereal, snacks, paper products, and produce.

Look for Box Tops on hundreds of participating products.

It's easy! Box Tops are each worth 10¢ for our school.

For our School With Box Tops For Education!

EARN CASH

BUZZZZZ

BOX TOPS

FOr Education

August 2015
What's the Program?
- Kids collect Longmont Dairy bottle caps, bring them to their classroom, and the school receives 5 cents per cap.
- There is no limit to the number of caps that can be collected.

Can My School Participate?
- Milk Caps for Mooola is open to schools that fall within the Longmont Dairy delivery area. If your school is in one of the following cities, please email or call to inquire if you are within the delivery area: Arvada, Aurora, Boulder, Brighton, Broomfield, Centennial, Commerce City, Denver, Erie, Firestone, Fredrick, Fort Lupton, Golden, Highlands Ranch, Lafayette, Lakewood, Littleton, Longmont, Louisville, Northglenn, Parker, Thornton, Westminster, and Wheat Ridge.
- Please contact Longmont Dairy to determine eligibility at 303-776-8466.

What steps do we need to take to get started?
- After we have confirmed your eligibility, we will provide you with the necessary information. You will need to complete an application and obtain your Principal's approval and signature.

Who do I contact if I have any questions?
- Contact Gary Schlager, our Community Service Director at 303-776-8466, or email him at garys@longmontdairy.com.
- Gary will help with the registration process, distribute collection boxes, coordinate cap collection and answer any other questions you may have.

How long is the program available?
- We are kicking off the inaugural year of this program for the 2012-2013 school year, ending on May 31, 2013.

How often can my school submit milk caps to receive Mooola?
- Please collect at least 1,000 caps before contacting Gary for a pick up.
- After your school’s caps are verified, and within two weeks, we will send a check made out to the school. The Principal of your school will determine how to disperse the funds for the benefit of your school’s students.

How do we count the caps and get them to Longmont Dairy?
- We ask that you assign a person at your school who will be responsible for packing all of the caps in the bags and/or boxes provided.
- The school is responsible for verifying that the caps are from Longmont Dairy bottles, counting the caps, putting the school information on the form provided by Longmont Dairy and attaching it to the bag.
- Once at least 1,000 caps are ready, please contact Gary to coordinate a pick up: 303-776-8466.

Which Longmont Dairy caps are eligible?
- Only caps that come from Longmont Dairy glass bottles are eligible: Milk, Chocolate Milk, Strawberry Milk, Half & Half, Whipping Cream, Orange Juice, Lemonade, Raspberry Lemonade, Classic Eggnog and Cinnamon Eggnog.
- Caps from Talbott’s Apple Juice products are not eligible.
INTERNATIONAL
WALK TO SCHOOL DAY
Wed 4 Oct

GREEN COMMUTES
POWER YOUR WAY TO SCHOOL

On Walk to School Day
- Walking School Buses in the morning
- Snacks and fun before school
- Presentation of Bear Creek’s Trip Tracker trophy
- Used shoe drive all week

Trip Tracker survey for September open 29 Sep – 9 Oct
Car Free Community

**Cruger Cup**

If your child walked, biked, scooted, took public transportation, carpooled, etc., to school every day that they attended school last year (at least 1 way) as you probably know, he/she has earned the right to bring home the CRUGER CUP for one week this year. If your child is one of the students who made it last year, stop by the office and talk to Carolyn and she can sign you up for a week to take the Cup home. We have 2 Cruger Cups this year so each child should get their own week.

Much like the Stanley Cup, the Cruger Cup has gone many places and has many stories to tell. We know that some people have even eaten their morning cereal out of the Cruger Cup (although we highly recommend a serious cleaning process before you do this) and we know it's been to top of at least one 14er! Don't forget to take a picture with the cup and send it to us.

TRIP TRACKER

This year, we are so happy to be partnering with BVSD’s Trip Tracker program, which rewards students for walking, biking, carpooling or riding the RTD to school. Students will earn Trip Tracker Dollars that they can spend like cash at local Boulder businesses like Glacier Ice Cream, Gateway fun Park and Play It Again Sports. **Trip Tracker will begin the 2017-18 School Year tracking trips on September 1 with first reward distribution the week of October 16.** If you would like to register for the program you can check out the Trip Tracker Website for more program information.

Here is the [September Trip Tracker Calendar](#).

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PLEASE HELP AT BEAR CREEK
Volunteer your TIME
or bring FOOD

① go to HelpAtSchool.org

② Choose Bear Creek Elementary
from the drop down menu

③ Click here to volunteer

④ Choose from either
Up-Coming (once a year)
or On-Going
(continues throughout
the year)

⑤ Click

If you have questions, contact
Kristin DeLorenzo at
kristin.delorenzo@gmail.com
New BVSD Volunteer Procedures

What’s New!:

1. Volunteers now have the option to fill out BVSD volunteer forms through the BVSD Webstore found on BVSD website! You will be able to select from the following options:

   • **BVSD Volunteer Application** (all new and returning volunteers must fill this out on an **ANNUAL basis, free of charge, before volunteering in school in any capacity**).

   • **CBI Background Check Application** (this is a one-time application, the cost is $40, once that is approved it is valid for the remainder of the volunteer’s time at BVSD).

   • **Driver Volunteer Form** (an additional form that must be completed annually for volunteers who want to be drivers, free of charge).

2. Volunteers can pay for their CBI Background check online with a credit card or your bank account information! You will be prompted to do so when filling out the online application. You can also choose to pay with cash or check when you come in to the Ed Center for your fingerprinting appointment (see below).

3. Volunteers can now come to Ed Center to get fingerprinted! After you have filled out the online **CBI Background Check Application**, you will receive a confirmation email with instructions on how to schedule an appointment. Applicants without charges on their record, will receive results within **3 business days** if you come to the Ed Center for fingerprinting.

What stays the same:

1. elsewhere, will still need to fill out a **BVSD Volunteer Application** online or use **BVSD’s Paper Application** and send in to the Ed Center with a check made out to BVSD for $40. The **BVSD Paper Volunteer Application will still be available**. We encourage volunteers to fill out the online application, however, we know some families still prefer paper formats. Please ask for a paper copy of the volunteer packet at school. If you want to get your fingerprints taken, but aren’t comfortable with filling out the CBI Background Check application online. Follow the directions for **BVSD’s Paper Application**.

2. TClogiq is still an option for volunteer background checks. Volunteers who prefer to do the annual TClogiq application can do so by visiting [http://bit.ly/TCLogiQ](http://bit.ly/TCLogiQ). Volunteers will still need to fill out a **BVSD Volunteer Application** online or use **BVSD’s Paper Application**. All volunteers who are requesting **fee waivers** must use the TClogiq option (For details, see question 10 in our FAQs).

3. If volunteers prefer to get their fingerprints done elsewhere, they will still be able to do so. However, please note that the processing time for fingerprints done elsewhere will continue to be around 4-5 weeks (compared to 3 business days if they get their fingerprints done at the Ed Center). Volunteers who prefer to get fingerprinted

4. Board policy on which volunteers need background checks (and which don’t) remains the same. For more information, visit the [volunteer website](http://bit.ly/TCLogiQ).
Bear Creek Community,

Mark your calendars, on Friday, October 6th, we will have our Bear Creek Fun Run from 2:15 to 3:00. The Fun Run will be for all students and will start and finish on the Bear Creek field, however we will also be running off campus. I will recruit a bunch of parent helpers to ensure that our students are safe and are staying on the course. We will not be running on any streets, only the sidewalks surrounding our Bear Creek Campus and across the bridge into Bear Creek park. The course also includes running through the halls in our school. Family and friends are invited to run along with your students. The course distance will be 1 mile. This event is designed to bring our community together for a fun event and to promote happiness and a healthy lifestyle.

More news about the Bear Creek Fun Run will be coming soon.

Important P.E. reminders:

First day of Intramurals is Friday, September 15th.

First day of Jump Rope Club is Tuesday, September 19th

~Mr. Soole

During specials today, artist/illustrator Jose Lucio from Savannah, Georgia spoke to the students in the gym. He shared his two books and his art process as an illustrator. Students drew along with him step by step. You may order his books on his website.

Jose’s website
FRIDAY NIGHT FUN
KIDS NIGHT IN

Friday, Sept 22 • 6:00-9:30pm

Join us for our first Kids Night In of the new school
year! Looking to go out to dinner or see a movie?
Trying to find some time to get the shopping done?
Kid’s Night In gives parents a chance to go out
while kiddos play fun, active games, get creative
with arts and crafts and even participate in some
STEM activities. Dinner and dessert is provided.
Check with your site director for specific
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volunteers from accidents resulting from participation. I authorize, in a medical emergency, after reasonable effort has been made to notify parents, that a YMCA representative
may seek emergency assistance at the parent/guardian’s expense. I give my permission and consent to the YMCA to use any photos, videos or other media of my child(ren)
at this event for any lawful purpose, without compensation to me or on my behalf. If I choose not to allow my child(ren) to be in photos, videos or on other recorded media, it is my
responsibility to inform the site director.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Fee $30 □ CCAP $10 □ $6 sibling discount available. Financial assistance is available to those who qualify. Contact your school’s site director for details.

Payment: Cash □ Check #       Visa/MC/Amex/Disc #     Exp Date

Cardholder Name       Signature       Date

Internal Use Only: Intake Name

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- Book Fair Tuesday - Thursday
- Halloween Parade @ 9:00
- Flu Clinic @ 3:00
- Garden Committee @ 8:45
BVSD is working to improve air quality in our schools

Last year, BVSD began a long term initiative to collect indoor air quality data across the district to identify where we can make changes to improve it. Recognizing the proven role of good indoor air quality for student performance and health, BVSD hopes this work will have significant benefits for students and staff. There are a couple of ways parents are asked get involved and help with this effort:

Provide information about reasons for absenteeism

In addition to collecting data from school sites, we want to understand how air quality may be affecting student health and absenteeism. Beginning this school year, when parents call in to report a health-related absence from school, they will be asked to identify the nature of the illness. Learn more.

Join the District-wide Air Quality Team

The district is creating an Indoor Air Quality Team to work with us on this initiative. The team will include BVSD principals, teachers, parents and community members. Once convened, the team will determine meeting times and schedule. Applications are due September 9. Follow these links for more information and the application.

For more information about the air quality initiative, go to: bvsd.org/airquality.

Student accident insurance 2016-2017

Low-cost student accident insurance is again being offered by Markel this year. They have changed their enrollment method from paper to electronic and will not be providing print outs to schools to distribute to students. Attached is a PDF of their enrollment information. This information is also available on the district website at http://www.bvsd.org/employees/AthleticsActivities/Athletic%20Insurance%20Information/Forms/AllItems.aspx.

Healthy Kids Initiative

Another possible option for parents whose students need health insurance is the Boulder County Healthy Kids Initiative which helps families enroll in Child Health Plan Plus (CHP+) and Medicaid. CHP+ and Medicaid are free and low-cost health insurance plans that provide dental, medical, prescription, mental health, and vision benefits. There are no monthly premiums, and co-pays range from $0 - $15 depending on family income. CHP+ has higher income eligibility limits than many public assistance programs, so many working families can qualify. Assets are not considered when determining eligibility for these programs. Some families who have not previously qualified may be able to qualify now due to new income guidelines.

Eligibility specialists are available to serve families at all BVSD schools. Call 720-515-1454 today to talk with a specialist or to make an appointment!

More information is available on the district website at http://www.bvsd.org/healthykids. A link to this page is on the front page of the district site: Go to www.bvsd.org and click the Healthy Kids Initiative logo at the bottom of the page.

NONDISCRIMINATION/EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

In compliance with Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008, Colorado law and Board of Education Policy AC (Nondiscrimination/Equal Opportunity), Boulder Valley School District does not discriminate on the basis of disability, race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity/expression, national origin, religion, ancestry, need for special education services, age, marital status, genetic information, or physical characteristics in admissions, access to, treatment, or employment in educational programs or activities which it operates. Complaint procedures have been established for students, parents, employees and members of the public. The following person has been identified as the compliance officer for the district:

Superintendent, Boulder Valley School District6500 Arapahoe Rd.
Boulder, CO 80301 720.561.5114 Superintendent@bvsd.org
FREE!

CU WIZARDS!
Prof Janet DeGrazia

GO WITH THE FLOW!

S.T.E.M. SHOWS for KIDS!

Saturday
September 30, 2017
9:30 – 10:30 a.m.
Cristol Chem 140

www.colorado.edu/cuwizards
CU Wizards!

For over three decades, the CU Wizards program has presented FREE monthly shows that entertain and inform children about the wonders of science. Under the direction of Prof. David Nesbitt, these interactive shows are presented once a month from September through June. They are hosted by renowned University of Colorado, Boulder professors and provide a perfect start to a fun-filled weekend. The shows are geared toward children and young adults, but all are welcome!

Each program lasts about an hour and includes several lively demonstration experiments.

No reservations required. All shows are on Saturday mornings and begin at 9:30 a.m.

WHERE?
At the University of Colorado at Boulder in the Duane Physics or Cristol Chemistry buildings. There is FREE PARKING in LOTS 308 and 436. There is also parking available for a $4.00 flat fee in the Euclid parking structure. Please refer to our website for additional parking information.

SPONSORS:
- Chancellor DiStefano
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CU Wizards 2017-2018 Schedule:

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For more information please visit: [www.colorado.edu/cuwizards](http://www.colorado.edu/cuwizards)