



# Weekly Announcements

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

1 | Page

---

**REMINDER: NO SCHOOL Friday, September 22, 2023**

---

## Green Ribbon Day Volunteers Needed – Monday, September 25, 2023

Green Ribbon day is fast approaching and volunteers are needed to help make this day a success. This year we will be focusing on taking care of ourselves, each other and the planet. We will be learning more about recycling and participating in a community cleanup around town. Volunteers are needed to help with Recycling Stations as well as participating in community cleanup with classes. Please email [info\\_sede@dcsdk12.org](mailto:info_sede@dcsdk12.org) if you are able to volunteer as Sedalia Elementary celebrates Green Ribbon Day.



This summer Sedalia Elementary received a grant from DCSD Sustainability to replace the fencing between the leach field and the chicken yard. We've purchased all the supplies, but need help with installing the fencing and gate.

If you have experience installing livestock fencing or just want to lend a hand, please contact [Kim Rankin](#).

---

**If your student is going to be absent, please call the attendance line at 303.387.5502.**

### **When do you need to keep your student home?**

- **If your student vomits, they can return 24 hours from the last time they have vomited.**





# Weekly Announcements

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

2 | Page

- **If your student has a fever, they can return to school once they are fever free, without fever medicine.**

**Please call the office and we can help if you are not sure!**

Attendance matters! Daily attendance and engagement in learning is essential to student success at all grade levels. Colorado law directly connected to attendance focuses on compulsory school attendance, truancy and school finance. Important student attendance definitions of rates and terms include:

**Truancy** is an unexcused absence. The rate is calculated by dividing the reported Total Student Days Unexcused Absences by the Total Student Days Possible.

**Habitually Truant (Student Count):** A student is counted as habitually truant if the student has four unexcused absences in one month and/or 10 absences in one school year.

**Chronically Absent:** A student absent 10 percent or more of the days enrolled during the school year is chronically absent. All absences are included – unexcused, excused, and suspensions. The rate is the percentage of students enrolled who are chronically absent.

## CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM:

Attendance is important at all levels within the K-12 education system. For preschool, students with good attendance develop skills and good attendance habits to prepare for kindergarten. By third grade, children who missed too much of kindergarten and 1st grade fall behind in reading. Chronic absenteeism in middle school is a warning sign that students are on a path to disengagement and dropping out. In ninth grade, attendance is a clear predictor, more than test scores, that a student will leave before completing high school.

Improving school attendance and addressing chronic absenteeism aligns with the Colorado Department of Education's (CDE) mission and [strategic plan](#). In Colorado in 2021-22, 1 in 3 students was chronically absent.





# Weekly Announcements

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

3 | Page

Temperatures are still warm. With that said, we would like to remind students and parents of personal hygiene (showers/bathing, deodorant, etc.) and revisit our dress code. Please read the following (from CRMS school website):



- ★ My dress and grooming are my parents' and my responsibility.
- ★ Clothing will cover the 4 "B's": backs, bellies, breasts, and bottoms. Shirts should be of a length to be tucked in or worn over a belt line. Suggestive tight shorts, leggings, skirts, and tops are not appropriate. Sagging pants, pajama bottoms, and slippers are also not appropriate. Skirts and Shorts must be a reasonable length (arm length is a good guide)
- ★ State law requires that shoes must be worn at all times.

## Douglas County Libraries

### CHILDREN'S LIBRARY CARD

*For Kids Under Age 15*

Did you know that Douglas County Libraries offers parents and guardians the option of limiting their children's borrowing to items only in our children's collection? Our Children's Library Card limits a child's borrowing of physical materials and digital content in OverDrive, but does not limit their use of or access to library computers, WiFi, homework help, or research databases.

You may change a library account to add or remove the Children's Library Card option in person, at any time, by visiting the Welcome Desk at any of our libraries. Please have the child's library card number on hand in order to make the change.

[LEARN MORE](#)

[Archived Weekly Announcements](#)

[Chicken Whispers Sign Up](#)





# Weekly Announcements

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

4 | Page



## Long Range Planning Committee Seeks Members

Are you passionate about shaping the future of education and facilities in our community? We invite you to apply for a unique opportunity to become a member of the Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC) for the Douglas County School District (DCSD). Established in 1983, the LRPC plays a

crucial role in advising the Board of Education on matters related to population trends, facility usage, school attendance boundaries, and much more.

Your expertise and insights will help shape the future of our schools and facilities while serving as a vital link between our community and the Board of Education.

### Application Details:

While we accept applications from all areas of the county, we are particularly interested in individuals residing in the following areas:

- South Castle Rock
- East Castle Rock
- Castle Pines North
- North Parker
- Parents of students attending Charter Schools

Please submit your application by September 29th to be considered for this meaningful opportunity. To apply, you can just head over to the LRPC pages on the DCSD website. Or [click this link](#).

Join us in making a positive impact on the education and development of our community. Together, we can create a brighter future for our students and ensure that our facilities align with our evolving needs.

Thank you for your dedication to the Douglas County School District. We look forward to reviewing your applications and welcoming new members to the Long Range Planning Committee.

The LRPC





# Weekly Announcements

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

5 | Page

## Band & Orchestra



### Attention Sedalia 4th - 6th Graders:

You have a terrific opportunity to play an instrument at school this year!

Both band and orchestra will be offered through CVEIM (Castle View Elementary Instrumental Music). This program will provide instruction for all band & orchestra instruments, beginning & intermediate.

Please contact the instructor for more information.  
Ms Walker. Email: [swalker1@dcsdk12.org](mailto:swalker1@dcsdk12.org)

### Band Schedule

*Beginners:* Wednesdays & Fridays from 4:00 - 4:45 pm

*Intermediates:* Wednesdays & Fridays from 4:00 - 5:30 pm

### Orchestra Schedule

*Beginners:* Tuesdays & Thursdays from 4:00 - 4:45 pm

Band & Orchestra classes begin right after Labor Day  
SCHOLARSHIPS are available

*To Sign Up for Band or Orchestra, or for more details:*

Please visit the website at: [www.cveim.org](http://www.cveim.org)

There will be a Meet the Teacher/Rent and Instrument event at Sedalia on Wednesday, Aug. 30, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.





# Weekly Announcements

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

6 | Page



**SUPPORT DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS! TICKETS NOW ON SALE!**  
**EXCITING SPORTS & ENTERTAINMENT!**

### COLORADO ROCKIES

Cheer on the Rockies and give back to DC Schools! Tickets start at just \$12.

- Sept. 29-Oct. 1 vs Minnesota  
(includes Sept. 29 post-game fireworks!) LINK COMING SOON!



### AIR FORCE ACADEMY FALCONS

Join the Falcons for their 2023 Football season! Tickets start at only \$28.

- Saturday, October 14 - 5:00 pm vs. Wyoming (Falcon Stadium)
- Saturday, November 4 - 12:30 pm vs. Army (Empower Field at Mile High)



### ELITCH GARDENS & WATER PARK

Enjoy a fun-filled day of rides & attractions at Denver's premier amusement park!

- Day Tickets only \$32.49! (Gate \$69.99)



### COLORADO AVALANCHE

Watch the amazing Avs hit the ice while supporting our community! Tickets start at \$47.

- Thursday, November 9 - 7:00 pm vs. Seattle Kraken
- Saturday, December 9 - 7:00 pm vs. Philadelphia Flyers



### CU BUFFALOES

Support the incredible Buffs! Tickets start at \$70 for friends & families of the district!

- Saturday, November 11 (time TBD) vs. Arizona State

### EXTRAVAGANT THEATRICAL EVENTS!

#### DREAMGIRLS - Lone Tree Art Center

A sweeping and inspirational journey with an unforgettable soundtrack filled with pop, R&B, gospel, disco, and more. Dreamgirls will bring audiences to their feet!

- October 19 through 29 - 50% off!!! - Use promo code FDSC2324



#### MAMMA MIA! - Denver Center for the Performing Arts

For nearly 25 years, people all around the world have fallen in love with the characters, the story, and the music of this ultimate feel-good show! PL3 tickets only \$55.

- Friday, November 3 - 7:30 pm
- Sunday, November 5 - 2:00 pm



#### ANNIE - Denver Center for the Performing Arts

Little Orphan Annie, the best-loved musical of all time, has reminded generations of theatergoers that sunshine is always right around the corner! PL3 tickets only \$60.

- Friday, November 24 - 7:30 pm
- Sunday, November 26 - 2:00 pm



The Foundation for Douglas County Schools [www.foundationdcs.org/community-events](http://www.foundationdcs.org/community-events)





# Weekly Announcements

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

7 | Page

A huge thank you to all of our AMAZING families that have purchased items from our list! It's greatly appreciated!



**Sedalia Elementary Amazon Wish List** – Sedalia Elementary PTO has set up a wish list of needs at Sedalia. If you would like to contribute, click below:

[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1AQ36MT31N626?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1AQ36MT31N626?ref=wl_share)

Send this link to friends and family!

