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Reminder: Fall Break is October 16 - October 20

Chicken Whisperers Needed!

We are in need of chicken whisperers to help care for our hens on weekends and during holidays. There are time slots for weekend mornings and evenings available, and extra slots open for the upcoming break in October. If you and your family would like to spend some time caring for our special girls, sign up here: <u>Sedalia Elementary Chicken Whisperers</u>

Please contact <u>Kim Rankin</u> if you have any questions.



Questions? Call the office at 303.387.5500

Sedalia Elementary Chicken Permission Form

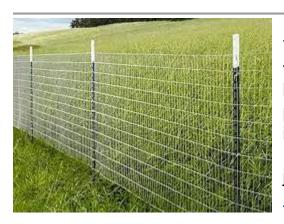


do so.



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This summer Sedalia Elementary received a grant form 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 <u>Kim</u> Rankin.



Dear Sedalia Elementary Community,

On August 8, the Douglas County School District Board of Education unanimously voted 7-0 to place a \$66 million Mill Levy Override (MLO) and \$484 million Bond on the November 2023 ballot.

If passed by voters, these new funds would be used at our school to:

- Increase teacher and staff pay
- Enhance safety and security
 - Addition of Campus Security Specialist
- Refresh student and staff technology
- Make much needed repairs and upgrades to our building
 - Replace heaters
 - Replace flooring
 - Install new intercom system

Teachers in the Douglas County School District earn, on average, \$19,000 less compared to a neighboring school district. Additional MLO funding, if passed by voters, would enable DCSD to pay teachers and staff more competitively and to increase security staffing support for our schools.

• DCSD teachers, on average, would receive a 9% pay increase, as reflected <u>in</u> these salary schedules





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- Support staff, such as bus drivers, educational assistants, custodians, etc., would receive a 9% pay increase
- Other staff would receive a 7% pay increase

A \$484 million Bond, if passed by voters, would be used to expand trade, career and technical education opportunities; perform safety and security upgrades; and ensure safe and adequate learning environments for students and staff. The Bond would provide for three new elementary schools in growing areas of our county, as well as the expansion of two middle schools.

If the MLO and Bond are approved by voters, Douglas County homeowners can expect to pay approximately \$200 per year for a home valued at \$1,000,000.

You can read more about DCSD's funding challenges and arguments for and against the ballot initiatives <u>on our website</u>. Thank you for being an engaged and informed member of our school community!

Sincerely,

Jeff Johnson Principal Sedalia Elementary School

October 9-13



Monday: HAT Day

"Put your hat on and think positive!"

Wear a hat of your choice.





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Tuesday: Workout Day

"I improve with practice!"

Wear sweatpants, sweatshirts, athletic apparel, etc.

Wednesday: PJ Day

"Keep trying to make your dreams come true."

Wear school appropriate PJs. NO blankets, toys,



stuffies, etc.

Thursday: Mismatch Day

"I embrace my differences!"
Wear mismatched clothes. Crazy dress day.





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Friday: TEAM Day





"Team up for perseverance!"
Wear your Mustang shirt or school colors.

If your student needs a shirt or sweatshirt, stop by

the office to purchase. Cash or Check only \$7.00

Tshirt, \$ 28.00 Sweatshirt

Octubre 9-13

Lunes: Día del SOMBRERO

"Ponte el sombrero y piensa positiva!"

Usa un sombrero de tu elección.

Martes: día de entrenamiento







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"iMejoro con la práctica!"

Use pantalones deportivos, sudaderas, ropa



deportiva, etc.

Miércoles: Día del pijama

"Sigue intentando hacer realidad tus sueños".

Use pijamas apropiados para la escuela. NO mantas,



juguetes, peluches, etc.

Jueves: día de desajuste

"iAcepto mis diferencias!"

Use ropa que no combine. Día de vestir loco.







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Viernes: Día del EQUIPO

"iÚnete para la perseverancia!"

Usa tu camiseta Mustang o los colores de la escuela.



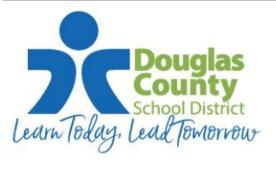
CHILDREN'S LIBRARY CARD

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



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





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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 <u>click</u> 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





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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

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

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







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2023 Mill Levy Override and Bond Proposal

The Douglas County School District's Board of Education recently voted to place a **\$66 million Mill Levy Override** (MLO) and **\$484 million Bond** on the November ballot. If passed by voters, this is how the additional funds would be invested in our school.

Mill Levy Override and Bond dollars

- Increase teacher and staff pay
- Enhance safety and security
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Arguments Against the Ballot Issues

- •The MLO/Bond would increase property taxes by \$200 per year for a one-million-dollar home.
- Assessed property values are on the rise in Douglas County resulting in upcoming property tax increases.
- The Mill Levy Override does not have a sunset.
- •The Bond would create additional debt service for the school district.





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

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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

Send this link to friends and family!

