



Grizzly Gazette

Meadow Point Elementary School

Aug. 26, 2010

Meadow Point 720-886-8600
Attendance Line 720-886-8695
Weather Line 720-554-4701

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Sept. 2 Back To School Night
- Sept. 6 Labor Day – No School
- Sept. 9-10 Rosh Hashanah
- Sept. 9 Individual Picture Day
- Sept. 9 Chipotle Night
- Sept. 11 Fitness Festival

In the event of inclement weather.

Please watch your local television channels, listen to the radio, or call the storm delay / closure hotline (720-554-4703) to learn this information. Late start time is 9:45.

En caso de condiciones de tiempo severas.

Por Favor prenda su televisor o radio en su estación local o llame a la línea de horario modificado (720-554-4703) para enterarse de ésta información. El horario modificado empieza a las 9:45.

Dear Meadow Point Community,

Welcome back to school! I hope everyone had a wonderful and relaxing summer. I want to thank you for the renovation here at Meadow Point. It's your tax dollars that made all of this possible. It feels like a brand new building. I hope all of you get a chance to stop by and check it out. The staff and students are very excited.

As a staff we have devoted considerable time over the past couple of years creating a School Wide Positive Behavior Support System. Part of this process includes developing and teaching specific behavioral expectations to our students. These behaviors will be positively reinforced throughout the school year.

We expect all of our students to be:

Great Grizzlies are Respectful, Responsible, Safe and Life Long Learners.

Every year we strive to improve communication with our families. This year we are trying something different with getting information to you in a timely manner. We will be implementing Thursday Folders. Everything that needs to go home will go home on Thursdays and we would like the folder returned the next day on Friday. We hope this improves the line of communication between home and school.

As we head into the year, I encourage you to take advantage of the many opportunities to get involved at school and to spend time with other Meadow Point families. Our Back to School Night will be on Thursday, September 2nd. Kg, 1 and 2nd grade starts at 6:15 pm and 3rd, 4th and 5th grade begins at 7:00 pm. PTO and Accountability Committee will be meeting jointly, as one group. We would like to invite you to attend an open house on September 15 beginning at 5:30. A light dinner and refreshments will be served. The purpose of the evening is to learn about our PTO and Accountability Committee. We welcome your involvement and input in all of our activities and look to you in partnership in your child's education.

Thanks for all of your support. We are looking forward to an awesome year.
Sincerely,

John Cramer



Tips From The Office

When visiting the school the front doors are locked and you must ring the main office to be admitted. At that time please come to the office to sign in and pick up a visitor's pass. **All visitors must have on a visitor's pass.**

Children should not arrive before 8:10 a.m. if they are eating breakfast otherwise not until 8:30 a.m. The first bell is at 8:35 and all students should be lined up at that time. **NO BREAKFAST WILL BE SERVED AFTER 8:35 A.M.** If your child arrives after the 8:45 final bell, they should check in with the office. **After 8:45 a parent or guardian will need to accompany their child to the office and sign them in on a late slip.**

Please make sure your child knows after school plans before they head off to school. If you need to get a message to your child you can call the office before 3:00 p.m. and we will get the message to them.

Please remember to call the attendance line if your child is ill or will be late. Be sure to give the student's name, teacher's name, and the reason for their absence or tardiness. **The number for the attendance line is 720-886-8695.**



****SAVE THE DATE****

10th Annual First American State Bank Fitness Festival
Saturday, September 11, 2010

7:30am – Registration / 8:30am Race Starts

Tons of fun for the WHOLE FAMILY!

Register online: www.fasbfitnessfestival.com



Cell Phones in School

Meadow Point's policy on cell phones is that if your child brings a cell phone to school, they must turn it into the office in the morning and pick it up after school. This policy protects your child's phone from disappearing during the school day as we are not responsible for the loss.



Back to School Night

Meadow Point will be hosting a Back to School Night on Sept. 2nd. It will start with the Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd grade from 6:15 -7 pm.

Then from 7-7:45 pm we will finish up the night with the 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade. This is an excellent time to meet your child's teacher and learn more about their curriculum and classroom schedule. All parents are encouraged to attend. **See you there!**



KIDZ KLUB FALL REGISTRATION

Pick up your complete enrollment packet either in the office or at Kidz Klub.



Van Gogh Individual Picture Day

On Thursday, Sept. 9th, Van Gogh Photographers will be at Meadow Point to take individual student pictures. Picture envelopes will be sent home with the students in their Thursday Folder on Sept. 2nd. If you do not receive an envelope or have any questions, just check with the front office.



Information is available in our school entryway on sports camps, programs, activities, events, etc:
feel free to pick up your copy.

Please



Tuesday, September 7th, 2010

DEVELOPING THE TOTAL PERSON

You don't want to miss Mark Nolan, educator and coach at Regis Jesuit High School, talk about developing the total person. The total person is a combination of the mind, body, and soul. One vehicle to teach and promote this development is through team sports. In athletics, a focused

coach can teach and push young adults to reach their potential and push their boundaries in ways that cannot otherwise be duplicated. When a person is developed spiritually, mentally, and physically, they reach their optimum for success and can maximize their potential.

Mark Nolan teaches Social Studies and Physical Education at Regis Jesuit High School where he is also the Head Football Coach. Mr. Nolan has worked at the collegiate level at both Willamette University and University of Colorado Boulder. Athletically, he has won both individual and team championships and seeks to make a difference in education by emphasizing the principles of character and becoming a champion!

Plan ahead to take a little time out of your day or take a few hours off of work and come to **connect** with other parents, **be informed** by local and national speakers, and **get empowered** to take a proactive approach to parenting. All parents, school administrators and community members are welcome and encouraged to attend Parent Information Network (PIN) presentations.

Presentations are held the first Tuesday of each month from **9:15 am to 11:15 am** at the **Student Achievement Resource Center (SARC)**. Come at 9:00 for coffee.

SARC is located on Briarwood Avenue, south of Arapahoe between Potomac and Jordan Roads. (Address: 14188 Briarwood Avenue Centennial, 80112). For further information, www.PINccsd.org.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

October 5th	Early Warning Signs of Risk-Taking Behaviors
November 2nd	Parenting: When to Help, When to Step Back!

ATTENTION PARENTS:

AIRSOFT, PELLET, BB GUNS ARE NOT TOYS AT SCHOOL

At this time we want to reiterate our message regarding state law and school district policy relative to airsoft, pellet, and BB guns.

We understand that these guns, which can be difficult to distinguish from real guns when being held by a person, have become very popular. We further understand that many view these guns to be toys. As such, some of our students are purchasing these guns, receiving them as gifts, and playing with them at home and in neighborhoods with parental permission.

However, **these guns are not allowed on school premises**. Both Colorado state law and Cherry Creek School District policy require a **mandatory expulsion** for the possession on school property of “any pellet or BB gun or other device designed to propel projectiles by spring action or compressed air.”

Please be reminded and reinforce with your child that the school must recommend an expulsion if these guns are brought onto school premises.