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### AMERICA'S FAVORITE SCHOOL CONTEST

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AMERICA'S FAVORITE SCHOOL CONTEST - WIN \$20,000!

On September 15, [Care2](#), an online community with over 11 million members and over 400 non-profit partners, launched its America's Favorite K-12 School contest. Now through November 15, anyone can sign on and vote for their favorite school. *In addition to the top prize of \$20,000 for the winning school, each week a random school will win \$500.*

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This contest is a great opportunity to promote Academy Charter School and our great school. Please vote!

<http://www.care2.com/schoolcontest/>

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### ACS School Directories Available

The School Directories are finished and ready to be picked up. We sent home all the Directories that have been paid for on Thursday. If you ordered one but have not paid, please come into the office or send the \$3.00 in with your student and we will send a Directory home.

Since the paperwork for the Directories was done in May, many folks have not paid for them but we printed enough for everyone that indicated they would like to have one.

Thanks!

Anne Belfrage  
Office Manager

#### Important Dates

- Sept. 28 - Policy Committee Meeting 6 pm
- Oct. 7 - SAC Meeting 5:30
- Oct. 8 - End of 1st Quarter
- Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> – No School, Teacher Work Day
- Oct. 12 - Governing Board Meeting 6:00
- Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> – Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> – Fall Break!

### Cheer & Poms Clinic

When: Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup> 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Registration at 8:30 a.m.

Where: Castle View High School  
5254 N. Meadows Drive  
Castle Rock, CO 80109

Who: any child between the ages of 3 (potty trained) and 13-14 (8th grade)

Cost: \$45 per child (includes a clinic t-shirt to be worn at the game performance.)

[Registration form](#)



## Governing Board News

Policy Committee Meeting Next Monday – The Policy Committee will meet on Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, at 6pm in the ACS library. Agenda items include discussions about ACS's Late Work Policy and brainstorming about ACS Spirit attire. Contact Paul Hardison @ [hardisonbroncofan@msn.com](mailto:hardisonbroncofan@msn.com) for more information, comments, or questions.



ACS Presentation to Town of Castle Rock – October 6<sup>th</sup> at 6pm! Calling all ACS parents and staff! We need your support! - ACS is scheduled to appear before the Town Council to present a proposal regarding the land adjacent to our building. This is a very important meeting and we encourage as many ACS families and staff members to attend as possible in hopes of finalizing a new agreement. Town Council meetings take place in the Town Hall located at 100 N. Wilcox Street at 6pm. Your attendance at this meeting counts towards your volunteer hours too! We appreciate your support and hope to see you there.

Next Governing Board Meeting October 12<sup>th</sup> at 6pm - The next governing board meeting will be held Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, in the ACS cafeteria from 6:00 to 8:00pm. ACS parents and staff are always welcome and encouraged to attend these meetings. Remember, by attending you will earn volunteer hours, and keep up on what's happening at ACS.

## Flu Shots

Shoo the Flu and Pneumonia Too! Beat the Bug and get your flu shot!

Flu Shot Clinic for all friends and families of ACS

Date: Thursday, October 1, 2009

Time: 7:45 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

Location: ACS Library

Who: Any friends or family of ACS who is 4 years or older

Prices:

Flu Shot: \$25

Pneumococcal Shot: \$45



**NO flu mists will be offered due to national shortage even if it was already reserved.**



To get more information on the vaccinations or if you cannot make this date, there are numerous other clinics offered in DCSD. For this information, you can go on Front Range Flu Shot's website at <http://www.fronrangeflu.com>

H1N1Update: Please note the seasonal influenza vaccine is not expected to protect against the H1N1 (Swine) flu. An H1N1 influenza vaccine is expected to be available later this year to protect against the H1N1 virus. Distribution of the H1N1 vaccine in Colorado will be governed by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. For more information about the H1N1 vaccine visit: [http://www.cdc.gov/swineflu/general\\_info.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/swineflu/general_info.htm)

Insurance: Seasonal flu shot is No Cost for those covered by one of the following insurance plans: Medicare B or Railroad Medicare Part B if they are your primary insurance. Also DCSD Cigna or Rocky Mountain Health Plans. Additional insurance carriers or networks may be accepted. Bring your insurance card the day of the clinic and ask the nurse if your insurance covers these vaccinations. The Pneumococcal Shot is covered by DCSD Cigna or Medicare Part B or Railroad Medicare Part B if they are your primary insurance.

## PTO Corner

### THANK YOU!

A BIG Thank you to all the 7th grade parents that lent a hand at the fabulous 7th Grade Hosted Breakfast!

Beth Curran , Julie Taylor, Chalyn McKee, Julie Taylor, Ninfa Cabello, Lauren Gallagher, Kyla Vann, Mindy Whitworth, Kathleen Montgomery, Jaynee Hodgkins, Parri Hinton, Holli Nucci, Kathy Heeden, Kelly Bolen, Kendra Burfeind, Mary Keller, Mary Acosta, Rebekah Krieger, Renee Helvey, Mindy Whitworth  
 Karen Davis - especially for both a cheerful heart to offer food and time for clean up!  
 Jody Bruch - especially for a cheerful heart to offer food, and time to host the entire breakfast!



~VP of Social, Laura Heese

### FUNDRAISING

Please help support our fundraisers this year!

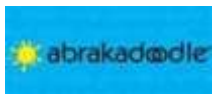
Otis Spunkmeyer Cookie dough order forms have been sent home in Friday Folders! These order forms are due October 12th. Please start asking family, friends, and co-workers for their orders.

Remember too, that our ACS 15th Anniversary Cookbooks are going on sale. Get those recipes and art work pictures turned in for our cookbook to your child's teacher. The deadline is October 1st. The classroom with the most recipes turned in will win a pizza party! If your child would like to participate in this, have them draw a picture pertaining to our school and the 15 year anniversary. These will be used for our cover and different categories for our cookbook.

As per parent request we are offering 3 prizes this year: Pizza party for the class with the most collected recipes, Red Robin gift certificate for the person who sells the most cookbooks, and a Giant Mrs. Fields' Cookie for the person who sells the most cookies. There will also be an ice cream party for those students who participated in Direct Donations.

We really appreciate your help and support!

~CO-VP Fundraising, Allyson Ford and Deb VanSicklin



Look for PTO Sponsored Original Artworks flyers coming home soon in Friday folders. All proceeds will benefit the Art Department.

### PERPETUAL WAYS TO SUPPORT ACS

Papa John's and Douglas County Educational Foundation supports ACS by giving our school .50 back for every order you place. Our code: ACHART works at and Papa John's pizza in Colorado, so share this code with friends, family and neighbors.

Local Value Fundraising can always be accessed through the ACS website. Don't forget the new "universal cards" are available any time you have a need for a gift or just for your own use. ACS always earns 50% back.



Safeway & King Soopers - Bring in your receipts from Safeway and King Soopers as both stores give a percentage of your receipts back to ACS!

Campbell's soup labels - Remember the labels are not valid unless the UPC code is included. Don't forget to separate your Box Top submission from your Campbell's labels and place both in their respective receptacles. If you have any questions regarding your Campbell's labels, please contact Cori O'Shea at [corioshea@comcast.net](mailto:corioshea@comcast.net).

### GENEROSITY ABOVE AND BEYOND!

We have had several parents interested in personally assisting their respective teacher or grade on needed classroom items. Please remember, teachers can NOT directly accept your generous financial gifts. All financial gifts must be run through the PTO. The PTO is more than happy to designate your financial gift to any teacher, grade or department you request, immediately upon receipt.

~PTO President, Misty O'Leary



## Original Art Works

We have an exciting program this fall in our Art Department. All proceeds will directly benefit our Art Department.

Ms. Huskins has our students creating some wonderful masterpieces. Original Works will transform these works of art into beautiful full color products, such as magnets, mugs, journals, shirts and much more. Posters and samples will be on display next week. Information about the program and how to order these products will be sent home in your Elementary student's Friday Folders on October 2nd. Orders will be due on Thursday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, to ensure delivery in time for the Holidays.

We are very pleased to announce that a few new products have been added, such as recipe cards, a sketchbook and a bandana. In addition, new kitchen and office packages are being offered this year. The kitchen package contains an apron, 2 pot holders and 16 recipe cards, and the office package contains a mouse pad, mug, and a wall clock.

This is a great opportunity to purchase one-of-a-kind gifts to help raise money for our Art Department. If you have any questions about this program, please do not hesitate to call Cami Lemon at 720-733-3972 or Kristen Sidney at 303-660-3346. Thank you for your support!

## Sabercat Youth Wrestling Club

The **Sabercat Youth Wrestling Club** in Castle Rock is dedicated to teaching young people the skills, fundamentals and enjoyment of the sport of Wrestling. There are tournaments and meets for the beginning wrestler as well as the experienced athlete.

Registration: October 22nd at CV from 6pm to 7:30pm in main lobby. Rolling registration available before any practice. [Form Here](#)

Ages: 5-14 years old (8 and under wrestlers require a parent at practice)

Cost: \$75 + USA Wrestling Athlete Membership - Shirt and Workout Shorts included in registration

Insurance: In order to practice wrestlers must have a [USA Wrestling Card](#) (click on link to purchase card online)

Practices: Tuesday and Thursdays from 7:00 to 8:30pm starting October 27th 2009

League: [Pikes Peak Youth Wrestling League](#)

Competitions: Weekday Duals and Saturday Tournaments available

More Information: Please Visit [www.CastleViewWrestling.com](http://www.CastleViewWrestling.com)

## Volunteer Corner

Our ACS parent volunteers have been very busy! I have the proof—we went through the volunteer log and the results were impressive.

The following families have logged over 20 volunteer hours:

Buckley

Hazlehurst

Johnson

**O'Leary**

Schilffarth

Wilborn



The Watson family has over 50 volunteer hours and the Warnke family and Brenda Knight have contributed over 100 volunteer hours! Thank you for getting off to a great start for the year. I hope this will motivate more of our parent volunteers to get started contributing to our school. Please continue to log your hours as they all count toward our school total. You are our Priceless Treasures!

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