Academy Charter School

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Important Dates

- Feb. 25 - PTO 4:30pm
- Feb. 26 - Dress of Choice Day
- Mar. 1- Talent Show Forms Due
- Mar. 1 - CSAP Begins
- Mar. 8 - Governing Board Meeting 6:00 pm
- Mar. 11 - End of 3rd Quarter
- Mar. 12 - No Students

CSAP Testing Starts Monday

Please have your student ready with a good rest and nutritious breakfast this next week. Our 5th and 8th grade students will be testing on Monday morning and afternoon, and grades 3 through 7 will join the fun on Tuesday through Thursday. Tests start at 8:45 and end around 2:45 each day.

Thanks for preparing your student to do their best.

PTO Corner

FUNDRAISING

Soc Hop

While we don't have all the numbers in to provide a net, the soc hop and auction baskets grossed approximately $9,500. We have heard a great deal of positive feedback, and many have asked if we will sponsor a soc hop again next year. The PTO considers this feedback a successful event! Parents and children alike had a blast!

The PTO has so many people to thank for the success of the evening. This list doesn't even encompass all of the gracious parent volunteers who worked so hard the night of the event, but please know you made the difference.

Our wonderful soc hop committee helped narrow down ideas for the evening's event after months of planning, and willingly took on a portion of the responsibilities on their shoulders, and lessened the burden:

Parri Hinton
Rebekah Krieger
Tamaris Dortch
Kelly Bolen
Marcy Pore
Robin Grue
Robin Warnke

We couldn't have done it without:

Dean Brown and Dean Peters who never said "no" to our endless requests for the event.

Tina Cook who helped communicate with teachers and students, coordinated the cake walk, and assembled the children and music for the assembly which helped get the kids excited about the event.

The office staff, especially Liz Smith and Lori Burgos, who took money for ticket sales tirelessly; especially when we didn't have the volunteer base to physically sell before and after school.

Mrs. Knight and all the ACS Support Staff made signs, helped with supplies, copies and laminating. Mrs. Knight stuck with us all night long, helping in any way needed.

The ACS teachers who helped relay the importance of a new science curriculum to the parents, thereby reinforcing the importance of a successful soc hop. Thanks to the teachers for supplying the cake walk with goodies. This activity was the most popular of the evening!

To Sue Parks, Cindy Keeling and Barbara Ireland for sticking with us all night to run, scramble and help in any way needed.

To all the ACS parents for donating to the auction baskets. Thank you to the Office Staff, Support Staff, Mrs. Huskins, the Bauer Family and Clayton Watson for donating personally to their own basket or item for the auction.

To the classroom coordinators for organizing their grade's basket. We know this was a tough job, but it really paid off with a successful auction.

To the Governing Board and SAC who not only supported this event, but many members worked tirelessly throughout the evening. In some cases, their own family couldn't attend, so they stayed to help in any way needed. A special thank you to Clayton Watson, Scot Brooks, Todd Warnke, Robin Warnke and Chad Mitchell for helping us through the evening.

A special thank you to parents who couldn't attend but wanted to help monetarily, or members of the soc hop committee who insisted on defraying some of the evenings costs:

Lettie Lee	Lori Parfitt
Parri Hinton	Tamaris Dortch
Kathy Hedeen	Deb VanSicklin
Jan Cline	Allyson Ford

Thank you to the following businesses who contributed toward prizes for the evening:

Dazbog Coffee	Baskin Robbins
Huntington Learning Center	Brunswick Zone
Butter Braids	King Soopers

As you can see, "it takes a village" to pull off one of these events. It's worth every minute of the hard work and sleepless nights to see the ACS parents and children have such a fun time, and help raise money for ACS!

Thank you to each and every one of you, even those not mentioned, for making the Soc Hop such a huge hit!!!

Sincerely,

Deb VanSicklin
Allyson Ford
Misty O'Leary

FINAL PTO GENERAL MEETING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR:

April 22nd @ 5pm -- Bring your fundraising ideas for the following school year and help vote in the new Dad's Club members!

BOX TOPS

Connor Moster won a free homework pass for February. He submitted over 180 box tops!

PERPETUAL WAYS TO SUPPORT ACS:

Papa John's and Douglas County Educational Foundation have increased their donation for on-line orders to $1.00 per order. All other orders will receive a donation of .50 cents per order. Don't forget to use our school code: ACHART and forward this code to family and friends. This offer is good for any Papa John's in Colorado.

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.

Thank you for your support!

Governing Board News

Next Governing Board Meeting

- Regular Meeting - Monday, March 8th, in the ACS cafeteria from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.
- 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.

Get Your Spirit Wear Now!
Last Chance to Order this School Year!!!!

If you missed out on the first ordering window for Spirit Wear, do NOT worry. Starting today you may place your order for spirit wear t-shirts. The order form is at the end of the newsletter. *Orders are due in the front office by March 11th.* Samples are on display in the lobby.

Spirit Wear Fridays have started! Students are allowed to wear an ACS spirit wear shirt instead of their ACS dress code shirts on all Fridays between now and the end of the school year. Spirit wear shirts must be tucked in and *all other ACS dress code guidelines still apply. Spirit wear Fridays are NOT dress down days*. ACS Athletic Hoodies or ACS Hoodies may also be worn on Spirit Fridays.

ACS Grades 3-5 Talent Show

Please remember your audition applications for the ACS Talent Show are due on Monday, March 1st. Information was sent home by email to all 3-5 parents on Friday, February 12th. Please refer to the email for additional information. You need to print your application, fill it out completely and have a parent signature. The tryouts are on Wednesday, March 10th, and the show is on Thursday, April 15th. If you have any questions, you may contact Beth Midolo midolob@academycharter.org or Sandy Kelly kellys@academycharter.org We look forward to seeing all of your amazing talents!

Spring Sports Meeting

Spring Sports Meeting- Thursday, March 4 at 6:15- cafeteria

If you plan on playing girls soccer or running track for ACS, please attend.

Girls Soccer

practice starts Monday, March 8

practice will be from 3:45-5:00, Mon.-Thur.

Track & Field

practice starts Monday, March 8

practice will be from 3:45-5:00, Mon.-Thur.

Please check the ACS athletics webpage for game and meet schedules. You must have a physical form completed by your doctor in order to practice. If you played a sport earlier this school year, your form is still on file and do not need another one. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please review the athletic handbook which is on the ACS website on the sports webpage. It has information on our policies and expectations.

Lisa Arnell
K-8 Physical Education
Athletic Director
Academy Charter School

ACS Yearbook

Dear Teachers and Parents,

We need pictures of classroom activities for all grade levels. Please submit them online or if you **don't have the time, you can email Mr. Goody or Mrs. Boshoven and we will get them in! Please don't forget to mention in the details which class the photo is about!**

Here is how you can submit photos online:

- Go to: https://images.jostens.com/login
- If it does not automatically log you into the site, enter username:400003017 and password:acs
- Browse to select the photo(s) you wish to upload.
- Enter information about the photo and provide contact information in case the staff needs additional information.
- Click "Save Details".

It's that easy! Submit your photos today! The last day to submit photos is 4/1/2010.

Thank you!

Sincerely,
Yearbook Adviser and the 2010 Yearbook Staff.

The Yearbook Staff will review all photos and determine final yearbook content. We cannot guarantee that all submissions can be used in the book.

Lost And Found Overflowing

Please check the Lost and Found in the Cafeteria as we have collected many hoodies and various other items of clothing and lunch boxes. These items will be given to charity within a couple of weeks.

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We're on the web!

Academycharter.org

ACS TALENT SHOW

Hello 3rd, 4th and 5th Grade Students and Parents!

It's time to start thinking about our ACS Grades 3-5 Talent Shows. The big show will be on Thursday, April 15, 2010 at 5:30p.m.

Purpose

The purpose of this event is to celebrate as a community, the talents of ACS students in grades 3-5 and to provide the opportunity for students to demonstrate craftsmanship in developing a performance. This is not a competition, but rather an opportunity for students to showcase their best work for an audience.

Got Talent?

At the ACS show we would like to include many talents in our show. Some ideas may include dancers, singers, instrumentalists, comedians, magicians, martial arts, cheering, gymnastics, storytelling etc. We will accept your talent as long as it is appropriate and done with good intentions.

Auditions!

ACS students in grades 3-5 are welcome to participate! Auditions for the talent show are on Wednesday, March 10th from 4-5. All participants will be required to attend the entire audition time. We want to be sure they can perform in front of an audience as well. An audition panel will use a rubric to make sure everyone is ready with their best work. When you audition, you need to be PREPARED *as you would for a real performance*. If elements of your performance are missing there are NO re-auditions. No parents will be allowed in the audition rooms, you are welcome to wait in the hallway or front lobby. *If you need help understanding the process, do not hesitate to ask one of the teachers involved.*

Performance Length

Due to the number of students potentially performing chose one performance that is limited to three minutes in length. You may perform ONE talent only.

What to do next

If you would like to audition, please fill out the attached "Student Intent Form/Audition Application" completely and give it to your classroom teacher by Monday, March 1st. WE WILL NOT ACCEPT ANY FORMS AFTER THIS DATE! If you have group performances it is your responsibility to get together to practice and will require time outside of the regular school day.

We look forward to seeing all of your wonderful talents!

Sincerely,

Ms. Midolo, Mrs. Kelly, Mrs. Vier, Ms. Hollister, Mrs. Weeber and Mr. Hargis

Student Intent Form

Audition Application- Due on Monday, March 1st

Student Name:_____ Teacher: _____

Group Members:_____

Talent: _____ Title of Song/Dance/performance (If applicable): _____

___I plan to bring my own music CD (if applicable)

Length of Performance:_____ (You need to have your parents time you. This needs to be 3 minutes or less.)

For my performance, I am going to wear: _____

Supplies I need from the music room in order to perform:

___ CD Player ___ Microphone ___ Music Room instruments (please list: _____)

___Guitar or Bass amp ___ Other (please list: _____)

***AUDITIONS WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10th FROM 4:00-5:00. BY SIGNING THIS SLIP YOU AND YOUR CHILD COMMIT TO ATTEND BOTH THE AUDITION AND THE TALENT SHOW PERFORMANCE ON THURSDAY, APRIL 15th.

Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

2ND ANNUAL
DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
COLORADO MAMMOTH COMMUNITY NIGHT
SPONSORED BY DOUGLAS COUNTY EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

Tickets: $9

Upper Corner Balcony
(No ticket fees or service charges!)

As a special incentive, the Colorado Mammoth and Douglas County Educational Foundation will be donating $2 of each ticket sold directly to your school to help "Fill the Gap"!

The top selling school will get the opportunity to watch private pre-game warm ups and meet a Colorado Mammoth player in the Elite Lounge!

IMPORTANT TICKET INFORMATION
- Tickets must be ordered **ONLINE ONLY**; no hand orders will be taken at schools
- All tickets will arrive as either Mammoth e-tickets from customerservice@tickethorse.com or Flash Seats

Saturday – March 13 – 7:00PM

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Deadline to purchase tickets: Thursday, March 11 by 6pm

*Tickets will be First-Come, First-Served and will be based on availability so please order early. Please note that this is different than the traditional community night seating by school section. Tickets will be seated in a general Douglas County section.

To guarantee that your seats will be together, please place orders under one name.

For this community night, all tickets need to be ordered online!

To order your tickets please visit: http://schools.dcsdk12.org/dcef

Click on the Colorado Mammoth Night ticket link on the home page of the DCEF website to proceed to the purchase page.

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Community Support for Learning Excellence

Please contact Christina Hengst at 303-405-1688 or chengst@pepsicenter.com with questions.

Douglas County School District
Learn today. Lead tomorrow.

ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL "SPIRIT WEAR" ORDER FORM

SPONSORED BY THE ACS-PTO

PLEASE RETURN ORDERS AND PAYMENT TO THE FRONT OFFICE BY JANUARY 22, 2010

Name _____

Phone _____ Email _____

LOGO A

LOGO B

LS T-SHIRT

Long-sleeved grey t-shirt made of 90% cotton/10% polyester blend (pre-shrunk) and printed with choice of approved Spirit Wear Logo A or B. See sample shirts in the lobby.

Youth Sizes: YXS(2-4), YS(6-8), YM(10-12), YL(14-16)
Adult Sizes: AS, AM, AL, AXL, A2XL, A3XL

COST: $15

SS T-SHIRT

Short-sleeved grey ringer t-shirt made of 90% cotton/10% polyester blend (pre-shrunk) and printed with choice of approved Spirit Wear Logo A or B. Navy blue neck and cuff bands. See sample shirts in the lobby.

Youth Sizes: YS(6-8), YM(10-12), YL(14-16), YXL(18-20)
Adult Sizes: AS, AM, AL, AXL, A2XL

COST: $15

ITEM	SIZE	LOGO A or B	QTY	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL PRICE
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$$ MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO ACS-PTO $$ GRAND TOTAL