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ACS E-News

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Dear Friends and Families of ACS,



What a wonderful week of programs, sports, and competitions! 3rd-5th grade Program and the Middle School Showcase were wonderful to watch this week. I am always amazed at how brave and talented our students are. I would have never gone on stage at their age! Also our 5th/6th graders are in the final competition for Battle of the Books tonight and our middle school girls keep winning at soccer! Congratulations to all of our wonderful and talented students.

Our 3rd grade CSAP Reading scores came in this week! Our 3rd graders were at an overall 87% proficient! Last year our overall 3rd grade CSAP Reading scores were at an 88%. Our 3rd graders should be proud that we are maintaining such a high percentage of success!!! If you have a 3rd grader, you will receive your child's individual scores in the next few weeks. Please go to www.schoolview.org to view more information on CSAP and ACS. Congratulations to all of our 3rd graders!



One of our 8th grade students, Marianne Haneke, will be honored on May 12th at Chaparral High School for being our ACS Outstanding Student. This is the first year that charter schools have been included in the honor and we are so proud of Marianne and this accomplishment!

Our new carpool has been going well this week! Thank you for your patience and understanding as we transition to this new procedure. Our hope is to make carpool quicker and more efficient!

Please remember that we have a Governing Board Meeting May 10 at 6:00 and the Band/Orchestra/Choir Concert on May 13 at 6:00.

Have a wonderful Mother's Day and fantastic weekend!

Sincerely,
Yvette Brown
ACS Dean
brownny@academycharter.org

Important Dates

- May 10 - Governing Board Meeting 6 pm
- May 12 - 6th Grade Hexathlon
- May 13 - Band/Orchestra Concert 6pm
- May 19 - Field Day
- May 20 - PTO Meeting 4 pm

Lunch Menu Changes

Please note that the lunch menu has a few changes this month. May 6th will be our last pizza day at ACS. May 13th will be manager's choice as will the 24th, 25th and 26th. May 18th the choices will be BBQ Meatball Sub and manager's choice. Please let your students know about these changes.



Governing Board News

LAST Regular Governing Board Meeting of the School Year is Monday, May 10th, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the ACS Cafeteria. It's your last chance to fulfill your requirement to attend at least one Governing Board meeting this year.

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.

Minutes from all meetings are posted on the governing board page of the ACS website. <http://www.academycharter.org/govboard.html>



ACSWantsToKnow@AcademyCharter.Org



CONGRATULATIONS TO NAOMI PORRAS!

Naomi Porras won the 4th grade Castle Rock Firefighters Coloring Contest. Many of you got to see the fire truck that came to school earlier this week featuring her artwork. Congratulations, Naomi!

Volunteer Corner

Unfortunately we still have some parents with no hours posted. The following families have not contributed any hours to ACS (or perhaps they have forgotten to log them): Anguiano, Cox, Craig, DeHeve, Diana, Douglas, Keller, Long, Mabeus, Page, Polashock, Ryland, Silla, Wicklein and Wise.

Please note, there are still opportunities to volunteer--

Governing Board Meeting on May 10th at 6:00 p.m.

Field Day help on May 19th selling snacks—please contact Allyson Ford at allyson4d@hotmail.com.

PTO Meeting on May 20th at 5:00 p.m.

Thanks again for all you do—you are our “Priceless Treasures!”

Anne Belfrage
Office Manager/Registrar
belfragea@academycharter.org



PTO Corner

SPECIAL THANKS!

A special Thank You to Robin Warnke for organizing, collecting money, and scheduling all the wonderful events for the teachers and staff during Appreciation Week. Your hard work was appreciated by many!! Thank you for going "above and beyond" to honor our ACS teachers and staff!!

BOX TOPS

The May winner will earn a dress down day for their entire classroom! Deadline is May 14th!!

PTO BY-LAWS

Please review the PTO By-Laws on the ACS website. Amended By-Laws, removing the 8th Grade Trip from the PTO, will be voted at the final PTO Meeting on May 20th @ 5 p.m.

FUNDRAISING

Field Day

Thank you to those who volunteered to help on field day. A reminder will go out prior to the event. The PTO will sell the following at Field Day, so don't forget to bring or send cash for your student:

Jamba Juice (8oz. \$2; 12oz \$3)	Bottled water (\$1)	Dazbog Coffee (\$2)	Cotton candy (.75)
Snow cones (.75)	Granola bars (.50)	Muffins (.75)	

All proceeds support the PE department.

Uniform Sale

Keep those gently used uniforms coming! We are getting a good response but can always use more. We will start the sale after field day at 12:40 outside if weather is good, or in the library if cold/wet.

LEARNING POINTS REWARDS

Are you a real estate agent or do you know someone who is? ACS is looking for a school specialist for our Learning Point Rewards program that was just launched a couple of weeks ago. The LPR schools specialist would help those families who would like to sell or buy real estate through the LPR program exclusively with ACS. Please contact Les Krieger at 303-903-1000.

VP OF COMMUNICATIONS

To date, Janet White and Christa Johanson are running for the VP of Communication position. There is still time to throw your hat in the ring, so if you are interested, please email Misty at jimandmisty@comcast.net or 303-688-6631. Voting will take place May 20th.

SOCIAL

A huge thank you to all of the parents that made the kindergarten hosted breakfast such a treat for teachers again today!

Judi Huskins, Mickie Eggebrecht - special thanks for your generosity in helping hosting and cleaning up!

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Sandy Meyn, Beth Curran, Debbie Guth, Gail Stanford, Karen Davis, Kendra Burfeind, Meredith Jacob, Lori Parfitt, Krista Fleck, Randena Hicks, Mindy Morley, Ayako Krum, Julie Taylor, Kathleen Montgomery, Diane Ralston, Mindy Whitworth, and Nadezda Porras.

PERPETUAL WAYS TO SUPPORT PTO

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.

Wells Fargo Bank will donate \$300 to ACS for every new home purchase or refinance, when ACS-PTO is mentioned. Please see attachment for more details.

Tri the Rock Triathlon



Castle Rock Parks and Recreation is having the 5th Annual Tri the Rock Triathlon on Sunday, May 23rd. Tri the Rock is for kids ages 5-14. There is a competition among all the Castle Rock schools to see who can have the most participation. The school with the most participants will receive a party at the leisure pool and will get to keep the traveling trophy for a year. Ten dollars of every entry fee will go directly back to the ACS PE department, so it is a great way to raise money for your school. Please see the attached flyer and sign up today!

Health Advisory—Product Recall

Advisory - McNeil Consumer Healthcare Announces Voluntary Recall of Certain OTC Infants' and Children's Products Please [click here](#) to go to our website for the list of products



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. We will be donating the clothing to charity May 27th!

STILL MISSING!

We are missing a white and yellow FLIP video camera. It has been misplaced. If anyone has seen it please return it to Mr. Goody.



Elitch Gardens Event



The Douglas County Educational Foundation (DCEF) is excited to announce the 7th Annual [Douglas County School District Community Night at Elitch Gardens!](#) The DCEF will once again be sponsoring an event for DCSD to enjoy an exciting night of rides, games and attractions on [Friday, May 14th from 5-11PM](#). Tickets will be \$20 (save over 50% per ticket, regular admission is \$40.99). As a special incentive, Elitch Gardens and the DCEF will be donating \$3 of each ticket sold directly to your school to help "Fill the Gap"! Additionally, a \$10 ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT picnic meal will be served from 5:30-8:30PM and \$1 of each pre-purchased meal ticket sold will be given back to your school.

Tickets may be purchased in the school office.



Members Needed for Long Range Planning Committee 2010-2011 School Year

Douglas County School District's Long Range Planning Committee was established in 1983 as an advisory body to the Board of Education. The Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC) is responsible for continually analyzing community population trends to determine future needs pertaining to:

- School capacity
- School boundaries
- School and facility site selections

Additionally, the LRPC reviews and makes recommendations to the Master Capital Plan. This document supports the Board of Education in identifying new facility and capital improvement needs for current and future bond elections. The LRPC plays a valuable role as a liaison between the community and the Board.

As volunteers, Long Range Planning Committee members are asked to serve for three years, with about one third of the committee changing each year.

The Long Range Planning Committee recognizes the importance of providing educational options for all Douglas County students, as well as the impact charter schools have on the capacity needs of neighborhood school facilities. Proper planning for facilities that provide an atmosphere where all children can thrive while effectively and efficiently using capital resources requires involvement of both charter and neighborhood schools. To that end, on April 20, 2010, the Board of Education approved the LRPC's request to expand membership to include two members representing the charter school community.

The LRPC is comprised of 22 voting members: two representatives from each high school feeder area, two charter school representatives, and two members who represent the school district at large.

Meetings are usually held the first Wednesday of each month, with additional subcommittee meetings as needed. Further, public meetings are occasionally held to review situations with affected communities to gain their input. District staff prepares all information either in advance, or at the request of members.

Vacancies are available in several areas of the district. If you are interested in serving on this important committee, please contact Barbara Homrighausen via e-mail at barbara.homrighausen@dcsdk12.org or telephone at 303-387-0022 before May 21, 2010. Applicants will be interviewed by subcommittee members in June.



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RACE DISTANCES
5 & 6 years: 25-meter swim, 1K bike ride, 500-meter run
7-10 years: 50-meter swim, 4K bike ride, 1K run
11-14 years: 100-meter swim, 8K bike ride, 2K run

MAKE YOUR SCHOOL THE WINNER!
 \$10 of every entry fee will go to the participant's school's physical education program. The school with the most participants will win a pool party and a traveling trophy!

Tri the Rock is presented by