Parent Portal

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2/10/2020



Dear Steck Elementary Community,

We had a very disruptive week of school due to the weather last week. We are hoping for better weather and no delays or cancellations.

I would like to thank all families for following our school policy regarding inside days and drop off. Our hallways are not prepared to accommodate the entire school community. By allowing your Kindergartner through 5th grader walk into the school by themselves, we are able to better supervise students and quickly start classes and prioritizing instructional time. If you ever need an accommodation, please let us know.

Please read below about our Inside Day and Late Start procedures. Please remember to send your child to school fully dressed for cold weather. If it is 20 degrees or higher, we will go out to recess unless conditions are not safe. We are unable to keep students inside due to lack of staff to supervise. I would also like to explain that on inside days, our priority is safety. While we would love to provide different types of active and physical activities, this is not always possible. We will start trying out Yoga and Go Noodle videos for our younger students. Fortunately, we do not have many inside days overall.

Visiting students in classrooms are a highlight of my day. These 5th graders below had an amazing time making a model of a heart valve and then testing it. Students were fully engaged using different skills to problem solve.

Please see below for important information and many activities we have scheduled for the upcoming days. To access previous newsletters, please check our website.

Sincerely,

Leticia Jara-Leake Principal







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Inclement Weather

We want to give you an update on the process for inside days in the morning and for two-hour delays. Inside days are called by the school when the temperature outside is 20 or below or it is actively snowing, raining or lightening. Two-hour delays are called by the district and will be announced through local news, district website

and social media. More information can be found by going to: Denver Public

Schools Weather Delays.

These are the arrival procedures for inside days:

- · Please do not bring your child to school earlier than 7:50 am, staff supervision will not be available outside and the Kiss and Go Lane will not be an option on inside days.
- · If your child is in Kindergarten, 1st grade or 2nd grade, please walk your child to the main door by the AUDITORIUM. Your child will be greeted by school personnel and directed to where they need to go. If we allowed each child to walk into the building with an adult, this could potentially create an unsafe situation for all. No parents are allowed inside the building, to ensure the safety of all children.
- If your child is in 3rd, 4th or 5th, please walk or direct your child to the outside door by the GYM. Your child will be greeted by school personnel and directed to where they need to go. If we allowed each child to walk into the building with an adult, this could potentially create an unsafe situation for all. No parents allowed inside the building to ensure the safety of all children.
- **ECE parents** will be the only ones allowed into the building.
- · If you need an accommodation or assistance, please let the office know in advance.

Girls on the Run
For questions, please contact
Debbie_Heinz@dpsk12.org



What is Girls on the Run?

Girls will be inspired to a lifetime of self-respect and a healthy lifestyle through an innovative program that combines running with fun games and activities. This program promotes individual achievement and self-confidence. Girls gain self-esteem and learn healthy lifestyle habits while training for a 5K run/walk race. Open to all 3rd, 4th and 5th grade girls.

Your daughter will...

- Understand that she has a place in her community

- Develop a strong sense of identity

- Learn how to give and receive support in a group
 Gain confidence to stand up for herself and others
- Improve her self-confidence and body image
- Complete a 5K run/walk event in the community



Practice Days/Times:	
First Day of Practice:	
Fee for 10-week Program	n:
Site Coordinator:	
Email:	Phone:
Registration opens on:	

Visit our website to learn more: www.girlsontherunrockies.org



Please consider donating gently used clothing items to our school nurse. We are in most need these sizes for the health office: 4T-5T, 6-7

Leggins or pants for girls and boys Long and Short Sleeve T-Shirts for boys and girls New- undergarments for boys and girls Socks



NO SCHOOL ON FRIDAY FEBRUARY 14TH



No SCHOOL ON MONDAY FEBRUARY 17TH PRESIDENTS DAY



Volunteering Opportunities

<u>Cafeteria Help:</u> Please come to the office, get a Visitor Pass and let the office know you are there to support the lunchroom. Lunchroom duty starts at 11:00 am to 12:45 pm. Any time you can support is helpful.

Inside Day Volunteers:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F45AAAD23A46-inside <u>Kiss and Go Volunteers:</u> we need volunteers from 7:50 am to 8:10 am. Please report to the office first.



If your child will be absent, please email: Attendance_Steck@dpsk12.org (preferred method) with the following information:

- student's name
- grade and teacher
- reason for absence
- parent name

Attendance Line: 720-424-3880

Excused Absences (these are still absences, but they are excused)

- Doctor's Appointments
- Dentist Appointments
- Illness
- Legal/Court Matters



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Important Dates

- Wednesday 2/12 CSC Meeting in room 202, 3:10 pm
- Wednesday 2/12 Hapa Sushi-Cherry Creek-Dine Out
- Friday 2/14 No School for Students District PD Day
- Monday 2/17 No School-Presidents' Day
- Tuesday 2/18 PTSA Meeting 6:00 pm, Anthony's Pizza
- Thursday 2/20 School Tour For New Families
- Wednesday 3/4 Late Start-Students arrive at 10:30 am



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