



Sagebrush Leopard Link

**SAGEBRUSH
ELEMENTARY**

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March 1, 2017

Dear Sagebrush Families,

Thank you for your partnership in your child's education. When parents and teachers are working together it sends a strong message to children that we believe in them and in the importance of working hard in school. As we partner together, it is also important to honor multiple perspectives. Yes, there may be times when we will disagree, but respectful conversations are important skills to model for our kids. We want our children to be able to know how to have productive and effective conversations, in which they may have a perspective that differs from someone else. However, never can I remember a time in my life where courageous conversations and mutual respect are more important than right now. Our children are watching, and our children are listening. Our students are looking to us to model the way. If we let the media be the role model on how to handle conflict, our students will grow up thinking that negativity and name-calling are ways to solve disagreements. As your Sagebrush principal, I aspire daily to be a better servant leader who is honest, vulnerable, and transparent. The conversations I have had with many of you, challenging as they may be sometimes, have made me a better principal. I am reflective about my experiences and the impact of my role within our Sagebrush community. I look forward to having more conversations with you because it is the human connection that I want to sustain in our partnership. If you have an issue, concern, hope or dream, please call me or stop by the school. I also look forward to your feedback using the enclosed family survey. Your voice matters. I can guarantee that the needs of ALL students at Sagebrush Elementary will always be our focus. Thank you for trusting us with your children, and thank you for working with us, supporting us, and holding us accountable to our good work. I look forward to our next conversation!

Your partner in education,

Chris Toliver

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Principal

Dates to Remember

- **March 6th– March 10th**
National Breakfast week
- **March 9th**
Invest in Success Gala
- **March 11th**
Craft fair
- **March 23rd**
Day at the Capitol
- **March 27– March 31**
Spring Break
- **April 5th**
Kindergarten Orientation
- **April 13th**
Fusion Performance
- **May 5th**
Students Around Globe

Community Reminders

The Weather can change quickly during the course of the school day

BE PREPARED!!

Birthday treats are to be non-edible item; contact your child's teacher for alternative ideas.



Sagebrush 24 hour Attendance Line

720-886-8395



March 27-March 31

Note from the Nurse



This month's topic is hand washing!

Your child is learning all about the importance of hand washing. They are learning why it is important, how often to wash their hands, how to properly wash their hands, and other ways to prevent the spread of germs. So far I have come out to the 2nd grade classrooms to give a class and demonstration and am making my way through the classrooms.

Handwashing is the single most important way to prevent the spread of infection and germs according to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Here are some things that students learned/will learn.

Reminding students of the proper times to wash their hands:

- Before and after eating
- After using the restroom
- After coming inside from the playground, store, etc.
- After sneezing, coughing, and wiping their noses.

We are also encouraging students not to touch their T-Zone; their mouth, eyes, and nose. Also it is important not to sneeze and cough into one's hands but if there is no tissue nearby to use the inside of the elbow for these purposes.

Proper Hand Washing Technique:

1. Wet hands
2. Use warm soap and water
3. Scrub for a minimum of 20 seconds (make sure to get those finger nails, in between fingers, and wrists.
4. Rinse off
5. Towel dry

Please encourage your children to put these suggestions/skills into practice. Both encouragement and example are very important in developing and maintaining skills.

Chana Aminov BSN, RN

February 21, 2017

Good Morning,

Good news, we have officially started Preschool Roundup for the 2017-2018 school year. Please share this information with your staff and with your community. The link for information on how to register for Preschool is below.

Preschool Facts:

- 4 days a week, M-Th
- AM sessions and PM sessions
- 1:8 adult to child ratio
- Special Educators support every classroom
- 23 sites with 81 total classrooms
- 1800+ Preschool students
- Many sites fill to capacity quickly so register soon
- Tuition is \$340 per month. In district or out of district kids are both welcome
- 500 Colorado Preschool Program (CPP) slots for students/families who have certain risk factors
CPP -No tuition fee for qualifying students.
CPP -Must live in CCSD
- Special Education services for children who qualify (SPED)
SPED - no tuition fee
SPED - <http://earlychildhood.cherrycreekschools.org/Pages/Child-Find-Special-Education.aspx>

To enroll in Preschool start here:

1. Will your child be 3 years old by August 15, 2017?
 - i. YES - please continue to the next question
 - ii. NO - then visit our web page 2 weeks prior to your child's 3rd birthday to register for preschool. Children under 3 cannot be in our classrooms due to licensing requirements. You can stop here, we cannot register your child at this point in time.
2. Will your child be 5 on October 1, 2017?
 - i. NO - please continue to the next question
 - ii. YES - then your child is kindergarten age and qualifies to register for kindergarten. Children who are kindergarten age should not be in our preschool due to licensing requirements. Please visit the Cherry Creek School District web page for more information about kindergarten registration. You can stop here, we cannot register your child at this point in time.
3. Is your child receiving services from Developmental Pathways, or are they identified with special education needs?
 - i. NO - please continue to the next section.
 - ii. YES - please follow through with the Child Find Evaluation. That is the process that will register your child for preschool. You can stop here, we cannot register your child at this point in time.

Follow this link to sign up for an appointment to register your child for Preschool for the 2017-2018 school year.

<http://earlychildhood.cherrycreekschools.org/enroll-here-for-2017-2018>

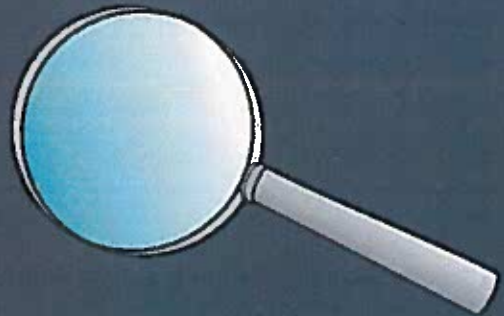
Welcome to Preschool. Please let us know if we can answer any questions or further support your transition into our Early Childhood community.

Stacey Peoples
Director of Early Childhood Education
720-554-4052



SCHOOL BREAKFAST INVESTIGATION

Join us for National School
Breakfast Week



**Be a Breakfast
Detective and
Discover all the
Mysteries
March 6th - March 10th**

INVEST **IN** SUCCESS

GALA

FOOD BEER TASTING DRINK
FOOD AUCTIONS
FOOD STUDENT PERFORMANCES
FOOD

TICKET PRICE \$150

MARCH 9, 2017



Cherry Creek Schools
Foundation

www.ccsdfoundation.org/gala2017

The Cherry Creek Schools Foundation *Invest in Success* Gala is coming up on Thursday, March 9, 2017. The funds raised at the gala will support innovation grants in our classrooms. Attached is an image for you to use, and we ask that you make it a hyperlink to our registration page.

<https://www.ccsdfoundation.org/gala2017>



Smoky Hill High School
Spring Craft Fair

Saturday, March 11th 9 am
to 3 pm

Over 100 vendors showcasing handmade crafts, direct sales, and local businesses. Also be sure to support PTCO's silent auction with items from our craft fair vendors. Funds raised will go toward After Prom.



CHERRY CREEK COMMUNITY LEGISLATIVE NETWORK



DAY AT THE CAPITOL

THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2017

Members of the Cherry Creek Community Legislative Network invite parents, teachers, administrators, and community members to participate in our annual Day At The Capitol.



- 8:00 a.m.** Bus leaves ESC parking lot (SE corner of Yosemite St. & Union Ave.) for the capitol building. Riding the bus is optional, but strongly encouraged as parking is limited.
- 8:40 a.m.** Meet in old Supreme Court Chamber for welcome comments from Cherry Creek School District leadership and to hear guest speaker, Lt. Governor Donna Lynne. Also brief visits of the House and Senate chambers, as their schedule permits.
- 11:30a.m.** Legislators will join us for lunch for a Q&A session. Lunch will be served at the First Baptist Church of Denver, 1373 Grant Street (*across the street from Capitol*).
- 1:00 p.m.** Bus departs First Baptist Church for the return trip to ESC parking lot.

DAY AT THE CAPITOL RSVP FORM

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM AND MAIL IT WITH YOUR \$12 PAYMENT BY FRIDAY MARCH 17TH

CCSD / CHERRY CREEK COMMUNITY LEGISLATIVE NETWORK
ATTN: SUSAN MARKER
4700 S. YOSEMITE STREET
GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111

NAME _____ PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

NO. OF REGISTRATIONS _____ AMOUNT ENCLOSED @ \$12/PERSON _____

DO YOU PLAN TO RIDE THE BUS? (circle one) YES NO

PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO: CCCLN (CHERRY CREEK COMMUNITY LEGISLATIVE NETWORK)

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Ilana Spiegel (ilanadspiegel@gmail.com)
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Dear Parents,

As part of Sagebrush Elementary's commitment to building a school environment that is positive and inclusive we would like all students to make a connection with their personal heritage. Students will be introduced to different places around the world and the uniqueness of people and their cultures at our 'Students Around the Globe' cultural celebration. It is important that students are able to make personal connections that make learning meaningful.

To do this, we would like students to find out about their ancestors and from where they came. What a wonderful opportunity for further conversations between you and your child(ren) about your child's heritage. Your child may be from many different backgrounds such as English, Spanish and Vietnamese. If you don't know all the different cultures that make up your family, don't worry! Our hope is that this will be a fun project with your child where the only research needs to be talking to family members. If your child is of a different heritage from you, you may want to do a search together to further your learning about what his or her heritage might look like.

Feel free to dress and/or decorate the paper person included in this packet to represent from where your family came. You may decide to focus on one piece of your heritage or include many on the paper person. You may be as creative and elaborate as you wish.

When we get them back we would like to create a border all around the school hallways representing all the kids and their heritage here at Sagebrush. Please have your child bring them in as soon as it is finished. We will be accepting them through the month of April, however, they must be in no later than April 24. We hope you and your child have fun with this family learning experience.

Sincerely,

Sagebrush Staff




Your family is invited to share
your culture at
Students Around the Globe

We are looking for families to share and celebrate their cultural backgrounds with our students during a night of fun and learning. Students and families will travel between six continents to learn about the languages, customs, traditions, music and clothing from the cultures our Sagebrush families represent. From Aurora to Armenia, we want to learn more about you!

EVENT DATE: May 4, 2017, 5:30-7:30 pm

Please consider sharing your family's heritage with the students of Sagebrush on what is sure to be a wonderful evening. Please reply to the attached questionnaire.








































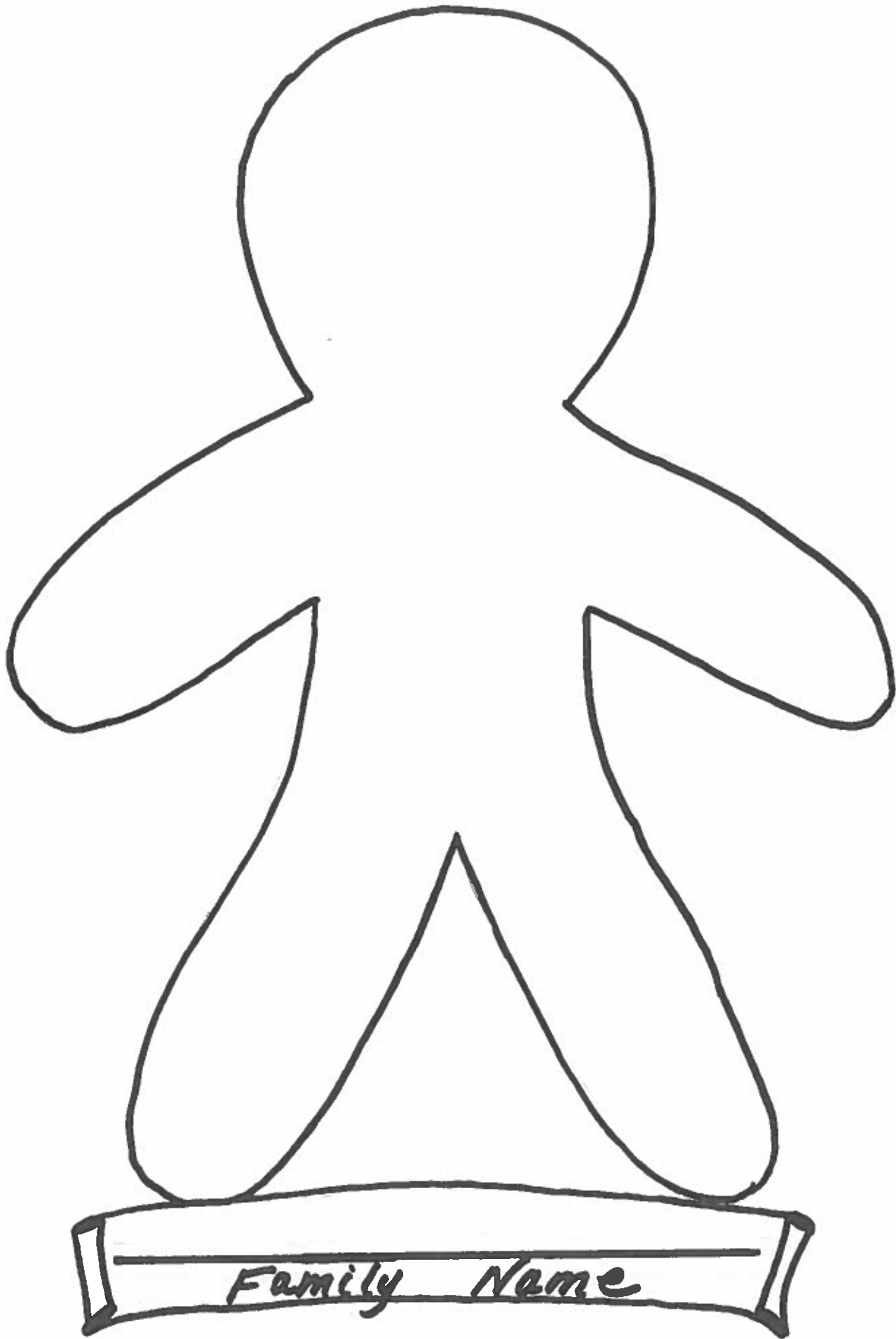
Su familia está invitada a
compartir su cultura en
Estudiantes de todo el mundo

Estamos buscando familias para compartir y celebrar sus antecedentes culturales con nuestros estudiantes durante una noche de diversión y aprendizaje. Estudiantes y familias viajarán entre seis continentes para aprender sobre las lenguas, costumbres, tradiciones, música y ropa de las culturas que representan nuestras familias Sagebrush. ¡De Aurora a Armenia, queremos aprender más acerca de usted!

FECHA DEL EVENTO: 4 de mayo de 2017, 5: 30-7: 30 pm

Por favor considere compartir el patrimonio de su familia con los estudiantes

							
	<h2 style="margin: 0;"><i>Students Around the Globe Family Questionnaire</i></h2>						
	Name of student/s: _____						
	What is the best way/time to contact you? _____						
	What cultures/countries does your family represent? _____						
	<p style="text-align: center;">I can contribute by:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> providing traditional clothing <input type="checkbox"/> providing music or teaching a song <input type="checkbox"/> teaching a dance <input type="checkbox"/> providing books/stories <input type="checkbox"/> providing art, artifacts, pictures etc. <input type="checkbox"/> providing food </p>						
							
							
							
							
							Other: _____
	_____						
	<p style="margin: 0;"><i>Please return this questionnaire to the Sagebrush Office.</i></p>						
							
							
							



Parent Survey

Number of children at Sagebrush _____
Grade Levels of each (please circle) K 1 2 3 4 5

1. How satisfied are you with communication between home and school?

- Very! 😊
- Somewhat 😐
- Not satisfied ☹️

2. How welcome do you feel at Sagebrush?

- Very! 😊
- Somewhat 😐
- Not welcome ☹️

3. What time works best for you to participate in family events?

- Morning
- Afternoon
- Evening



4. Which topics interest you?

- Homework
- Finding books
- Games and Activities for home
- Expectations for grade level
- Math
- Reading
- Summer learning support
- Technology

5. What talents do you have that you could share with our school?

- Reading to students
- Volunteering at school
- Volunteering by taking things home to do
- Other _____

6. How may we better partner with you to meet the needs and hopes of your family?

7. In what ways can we better celebrate our Sagebrush community?

Encuesta para Padres

Número de niños en Sagebrush _____

Los niveles de grado de cada uno (por favor con un círculo) K 1 2 3 4 5

1. ¿Qué satisfecho está usted con la comunicación entre el hogar y la escuela?

- Muy! 😊
- Algo 😐
- No esta satisfecho ☹️

2. Cómo se siente usted bienvenido en Sagebrush?

- Muy! 😊
- Algo 😐
- no es bienvenido ☹️

3. ¿Qué tiempo es mejor para que usted participe en los eventos de la familia?

- Mañana
- Tarde
- Noche

4. ¿Qué temas le interesan?

- La Tarea
- Encontrar Libros
- Juegos y actividades para el hogar
- Las expectativas para el nivel de grado
- Matemáticas
- Lectura
- Apoyo al Aprendizaje de Verano
- Tecnología



5. ¿Qué talentos tiene usted que usted podría compartir con nuestra escuela?

- Leer a los estudiantes
- Voluntario en la escuela
- Ofrecerse como voluntario para hacer trabajitos en la casa.
- Otro: _____

6. ¿Cómo podemos facilitar mejor las necesidades y esperanzas de su familia?

7. ¿De qué manera podemos celebrar mejor nuestra comunidad de Sagebrush?