MISSION STATEMENT:
THE MITCHELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMUNITY PROVIDES AN ENVIRONMENT IN WHICH ALL CHILDREN WILL LEARN AND SUCCEED

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The Mitchell Friday Note is an important place to be sure you have the current information about what's happening in our school.

A Note from the Principal
As we head into Winter Break next week, many of us will be gathering with others and spending time staying cozy on chilly days. We may mark our time with special food and looking for special lights and making preparations to welcome in the new year. In the past few weeks students have been spending some extra time sharing ideas about how we show Mitchell ROCKS around our school and when working together. We’ve been exhibiting our value of community through welcoming greetings, including others, offering to help, and recognizing each other for amazing efforts. It has been a positive way to enter this school break having seen such great examples of what makes our community exceptional! We look forward to having our students back on January 8th. Until then, enjoy some time outside, laughing with friends/family, a puzzle, or some hot cocoa. ~Ms. NG
Thriving Schools Support Team Visit
Recent collaboration in our classrooms have brought forward discussions about Mitchell ROCKS; specifically community. Our school recently hosted a visit from our district’s Thriving Schools Support Team. This was one of the very things that was evident in that visit – the strong sense of community within our building. We are aware of the learning happening in other spaces as we walk through the halls. As professionals, we welcome each other into our practice and share ideas in the spirit of collaboration. Our families and community members are strong supporters of creating an extraordinary student experience both within and outside the school day. The Thriving Schools Team was able to see many examples of district initiatives in action at Mitchell (Instructional Excellence: conditions for student outcomes, and Extraordinary Student Experience).

Our Original Works fundraiser will be taking late orders through December 31st. You can continue to place orders until then and the products will arrive at Mitchell sometime in January. Please reach out to Mr. Kramer at Julian.Kramer@jeffco.k12.co.us if you have any questions or issues with ordering. Thank you for helping to support our Visual Arts program at Mitchell!

Mitch is on Winter Break
Check in on what Mitch the Mustang is up to each day over Winter Break on our Twitter account @Golden_Mustangs.

PTA Corner
Creating a Mitchell Community Cookbook
The Mitchell Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Committee is interested in understanding our Mitchell Family through a Community Cookbook. We invite you to contribute your cherished recipes, each one a culinary journey that embodies the essence of your culture. Recipes tell these stories, whether they are passed down through generations or shared in a whole network of friends – they are your culture. We hope you can find a moment over the winter break to share a recipe or two! Recipes are being collected through this form.
Third Grade families! It's your turn to Load the Teachers Lounge! Given the busy time of year, this month we are asking families for Venmo donations only. If you'd like to help fund both healthy and yummy snacks for the staff to enjoy/make it through December, please Venmo your contribution to @mitchell-pta with memo “Load the Lounge”. Thank you!

Pre-order your 2024 Mitchell Mustangs sweatshirts! These beautiful navy blue sweatshirts (adult & kids sizes) feature our latest logo, graciously designed by Mitchell mom Jen Minch, and printed by local business YoColorado, co-owned by a Mitchell family.

$20 from the sale of each sweatshirt benefits the Mitchell PTA and will be put towards some of the school's biggest improvements this year, including the new outdoor eating area, a nearly $100,000 project that will include upgraded seating, picnic tables, and shade structures for students to enjoy at lunch time.

Unfortunately, they will not be ready in time for the holidays and will only be available to order until December 19th. Do not forget to place an order for yourself, your child, grandparents or caretakers. We don't want you to miss out on an opportunity to show your school pride and support the ongoing projects of the PTA!

*Sweatshirts will be delivered to students' classrooms to bring home in mid January.
*If students have any Spirit Wear on their wish lists and purchasing one is difficult for a family financially, please reach out to Debbie Yergert or Amber Muñoz in the Mitchell Office to have Spirit Wear ordered confidentially at no cost.

Treat the Teachers!
In order to help support our teachers and staff as they get back to their classrooms after Winter Break, the PTA will be providing a Welcome Back breakfast in January. Please help us Treat the Teachers by donating to this cause. Venmo: @Mitchell-Pta Please include Treat the Teachers in the note. Thank you for your support!
Important Dates

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*Celebrate our Rocking Mustangs and Recess ROCKStars*


Please don’t hesitate to call the office with any questions 303.982.5875 or go onto our website [http://mitchell.jeffcopublicschools.org](http://mitchell.jeffcopublicschools.org) for up to date school information.