"Aiming for Success, Believing... Together We Can!"

Columbine Hills Elementary School
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Message From the Principal

Dear Columbine Hills Parents,

It is with great excitement that I welcome you to the 2020-2021 school year. I want to thank all of our staff, students and families for their hard work in helping us to successfully launch the school year through both remote and our in-person orientations. I appreciate everyone’s flexibility and patience to ensure student safety. Our restart demonstrated our community living our school’s mission of “Aiming for Success, Believing...Together We Can!”

As we adjust to the changes that this school year brings, I ask that you be patient with us. To ensure the safety of students and being able to provide remote and in-person learning, we are making adjustments each day to improve our systems to make sure we are doing what is best for students. Thank you for partnering with us through these changes.

We look forward to our first day of 100% in-person learning for all students that will start on Tuesday, September 8th. Students who will be having breakfast will come at 7:45am through the front door of the school, complete their health screening and then go to their classroom to eat. All other students will be screened at their outside classroom door to enter into their classroom.

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Earn cash for your school! Save Longmont Dairy Milk Caps.
Longmont Dairy Farm will donate 5¢ per LDF produced product bottle cap. Schools are free to spend these funds as they wish to benefit students.
Message From the Principal, continued...

If you are looking for ways to get involved at Columbine Hills, there are many opportunities for you to do so. Our first School Accountability meeting will be held on September 15th at 5:30pm followed by our PTA meeting at 6:30pm. Our School Accountability meeting will be held via Zoom. The link will be sent out in our weekly message the week prior. We would love to see you at one or both of these meetings.

As your principal, I am committed to a successful and positive elementary school experience for your child. I welcome any questions, concerns or comments anytime. Please feel free to send me an email or contact me at (303)982-5540.

Sincerely,
Christa Wilson
Principal
Christa.wilson@jeffco.k12.co.us
School Attendance is Important!

Attendance is the responsibility of the student, the parents, and the school. The importance of regular, daily attendance as a basis for academic achievement cannot be over-emphasized. Absences have a negative effect upon instructional continuity, regardless of the attempts to make up work. Our school has designated a target goal of 96% attendance this year and reviews attendance monthly to ensure all students are helping to meet our goal.

There are two types of absences – excused and unexcused. Absences will be excused for illness, family emergencies, and religious holidays. Absences for any other reason such as missing the bus, bad weather, waking up late, staying out late the night before and no excuse at all are unexcused.

Families are expected to plan family outings and vacations in conjunction with school holidays. If your child will be absent more than two days for a scheduled absence, a pre-arranged absence form must be completed 3 days prior and turned in to the office for approval. Approvals will only be granted to students with good attendance and good academic standing. If not approved, the absences will be marked as unexcused.

Doctor and dentist appointments should be scheduled after school hours. If you take your student to the doctor, we recommend requesting a note for your child’s attendance file.

We appreciate your help in making sure your child is at school on time!

School Accountability Team

The school-level accountability committee (SAC) serves in an advisory role to the school principal. The school’s principal is ultimately responsible for ensuring compliance with all Federal, State and District requirements and meeting the academic performance expectations defined by Jeffco Public Schools. This committee will meet the second Tuesday of each month at 5:30pm prior to our school’s PTA meeting. Our first meeting will be Tuesday, September 15th. A Zoom meeting link will be sent out in the Sunday call prior to the meeting. We hope to see you there!

Be Respectful, Be Responsible and Be Safe!

Columbine Hills’ students and staff work to make sure we have a positive environment for student learning. We are a PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Support) school, which means we have clear expectations connected to all of the different locations in our building. These expectations are connected to our three school rules; be respectful, be responsible, and be safe. Teachers and students have been reviewing and learning about these expectations over the next few weeks so that we can have a successful year in creating a great learning environment at CHE in each and every classroom. We ask that students model these expectations even outside of school and in our community. It is a good reminder to be respectful of our neighbors and their property when coming to and from school.
Welcome New CHE Staff!

Greetings! My name is Judy Elton, and I’m thrilled to be joining CHE as their Instructional Coach. This is my 23rd year in education with the last 20 years teaching in Jeffco. I have a M.Ed. in Special Education and a B.S. in Speech Pathology and Audiology. When I’m not teaching and learning, my husband, Scott, and I love traveling, spending time with family, and hiking with our four legged friend, Aussie. I’m looking forward to many adventures at CHE.

Traverse City, Michigan

Dear CHE families and community,

My name is Ashley Kloess and I am thrilled to have the opportunity to begin my seventh year teaching at Columbine Hills! It will be my third year in second grade and I am so excited to begin this new chapter in your community! When I’m not in the classroom, I love spending time outside mountain biking or hiking with friends or reading on a sunny patio with an iced tea :) I look forward to meeting you all in the Fall, until then, enjoy your Summer!

Hi Colt Community! My name is Karen Parker and I am going to be your new physical education teacher!

I grew up in Lakewood, CO and graduated high school from Bear Creek. I have always been active growing up, sports being integral piece of my life. I played college soccer at Corban University in Salem, OR.

My husband and I have two wonderful boys who are 4 and 9. I enjoy watching them play sports and being active with them. I enjoy watching football and hockey, my favorite teams are the Denver Broncos, Pittsburgh Steelers, and Colorado Avalanche.

I have worked in Jeffco for 16 years as a physical education teacher. I have had amazing opportunities teaching at Arvada High, North Arvada Middle, Dunstan Middle, Hutchinson Elementary, Welchester Elementary and Everitt Middle. I am excited to continue my career at Columbine Hills Elementary and share my passion for physical education with you!
Hello, my name is Mrs. Gamble and I am your new art teacher. I have had the privilege of teaching kids art in the Jefferson County schools for more than 20 years and I am very excited to be a part of your school community. Let me tell you a little bit about myself. I am married and have two children. When I am not teaching my favorite past time activities besides art, are hiking, biking and camping. I also love things smothered in green chili and cream filled donuts. 😊 I am very excited for this new year and can’t wait to get started and to get to know all of you!

A native of Colorado, Amber resides in Castle Rock. She earned her BA in Kinesiology from the University of Northern Colorado. She has been teaching and coaching for 22 years.

She currently teaches physical education at CHE and Molholm Elementary. Her thoughtful curriculum is delivered to reflect self-acceptance and inclusion. Each class has a daily focus on fostering respect for self and others, while celebrating uniqueness. Amber was presented with a 2016 National Educator of the Year Award for her safe and inclusive classroom practices.

In her spare time, she discovered a passion for playing semi-pro tackle football, aerial dance, photography, and hiking with her family. She has 2 kids, an 18-year-old daughter, and a 15-year-old son, and is married to her high school sweetheart. She is excited to join the community, and looks forward to meeting the CHE family!

I'm Miranda LaChance and I am the new health aide at Columbine Hills Elementary! My education background includes graduating from Chatfield Senior High School, attending Nebraska Wesleyan University, and now I currently am pursuing my psychology degree at MSU Denver. Some fun facts about me are: I have a twin brother, I love going paddle boarding with my 4 dogs in my spare time, I was in a sorority, and I went to school on a full paid soccer scholarship. I am so excited to work with all these new amazing faces here at Columbine Hills, and I can't wait to get to know everyone!
Welcome Back!

Our PTA’s mission is to support Columbine Hills' students, teachers, and staff by promoting quality education, striving to expand the arts, encouraging community involvement, and working toward a healthier environment for our children.

We encourage every family, teacher and staff member to join the PTA and contribute in whatever way they can to positively impact our school whether it’s by giving time, talent or a financial donation. Many committees, which touch most areas of school life, make up our PTA. From large-scale community events, to weekly volunteer coordination, there are opportunities for anyone who wants to volunteer to get involved.

Our volunteers take pride in making CHE the school it is and cumulatively clock up hundreds of hours each year! Columbine Hills' PTA funds contribute greatly to the school’s general budget, subsidizing countless aspects of the curriculum and allowing our students to experience many things beyond a traditional classroom education. General PTA meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of Every Month at 6:30pm. These meetings serve as a forum for parents, teachers, and administrators to discuss current and relevant issues pertaining to our school and district. If you are not already involved, join us today!

We could not do our job without the help of our CHE Family. Thank you!

Don't forget to "Like" us on Facebook @ https://www.facebook.com/ColumbineHillsPTA

Meet your 2020-2021 PTA Executive Board

Michelle Davis, President

Hello! My name is Michelle Davis and I will be serving the last year of my term. I am a Colorado native and grew up right here in the Littleton area. I married my childhood sweetheart 14 years ago and we now have two girls and a boy. Caitlyn is in 4th grade, Hannah is in 3rd grade and Jadon will be a kindergartner. I work full time as a medical insurance underwriter and my husband, John, is a Realtor for Home Smart Cherry Creek. As a family, we love sports, camping, watching movies, ice cream and much more!

I consistently started attending the PTA meetings two years ago and volunteered at a few events as well. I never imagined I would have become president, but I am so glad I did! I absolutely love Mrs. Wilson, the teachers and staff. We truly have one of the best schools and community. I also believe it is important to have a strong presence at the school for my kids and the PTA gives me the opportunity to do so.

The best part about the PTA is we have many ways to be involved. Whether it’s helping out at school, working on crafts at home, attending PTA meetings, making a donation, etc. we will meet you at whatever level of engagement you want to have. I am looking forward to another great year!

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Meet your 2020-2021 PTA Executive Board, continued...

Sasha Maley, Vice President

Hello, my name is Sasha Maley and I am serving as the CHE PTA Vice-president for the next two years. I am a Jeffco native from Lakewood, Colorado and graduated from Metro State. Before I had kids I was a Production Manager and co-owner of a small business. My husband, Aaron and I have been residents of Columbine Hills and married for 15 years. We now have two daughters. Kylie is my oldest and she will be in the 2nd grade and my youngest, Jacie, is a spirited 3 year old.

My kiddos have become the center of my world. As a family we enjoy gardening, playing in water, fishing, and spending time together. I treasure the short time that my girls are young and I want to be a part of their early education. PTA and SAC are avenues at CHE for me to help, influence and be included. I look forward to collaborating and volunteering with this community to make my girl's childhood memorable.

Heidi Kartchner, Treasurer

Hey everyone, I'm Heidi. I have three daughters, all of which are at CHE. My oldest is in fifth grade, my middle is in second and my youngest is starting at the CHE Preschool this year. I own a business working as a museum consultant, specializing in audience research and evaluation (it's a little known field, ask me about it sometime!) and my husband owns a law firm that specializes in family law and criminal defense. Together we enjoy all the perks and stresses that come from being small business owners in this crazy time. Our family loves hiking, swimming, baking, museums, movies, and reading books together.

I love being involved with the PTA for two main reasons. For one, it's a great, non-awkward way to meet the other parents at the school and build the feeling of community. Also, I love the face-to-face time with the staff at CHE that happens through the PTA. It always reminds me how amazing the staff at our school are and how much they really love our kids.

Melissa Kubin, Secretary

Hello CHE families! My name is Melissa Kubin and I am excited to be serving as your PTA secretary for the next 2 years. This will be my 5th year as a PTA volunteer. I have 3 amazing kiddos attending CHE this fall, Gavin (4th), Nolan (1st) and Kaelyn who will be starting Kindergarten. We are a very active family that enjoys traveling, camping, and sporting events. Being a member of the PTA has been an awesome way for us to meet new friends and get involved in all the awesome events at CHE! Welcome back Colts!!!!!
Other ways to SUPPORT Columbine Hills and the PTA

♦ Become a PTA member for only $10 per individual adult.
  ○ https://forms.gle/cmBxXDh6v2eCsLax5

♦ Have a small business? Help sponsor the PTA for as little as $25 a year!
  ○ https://forms.gle/C7cYpHwyDV1wcKqN9

♦ Setup your Amazon and King Soopers accounts to donate money to the CHE PTA. Both companies will contribute a small percent of your purchases to the school and it does NOT cost you anything additional other than your everyday purchases. It’s simple and makes a HUGE difference for our school!

♦ Participate in the Fall Fundraiser that will start in October! Stay tuned for more details!
SEPTEMBER DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP RESOURCE
(5th Grade Families Only)

Dear Fifth Grade Families,

As all fifth grade students received personalized learning devices through Jeffco’s TechforEd 1:1 device program, we want to ensure that all students and families receive information about digital citizenship and digital wellness. Fifth grade families are also highly encouraged to purchase a warranty for their device (information is included in this edition of Hoofprints).

During the month of September, our fifth grade classrooms will engage in digital citizenship learning related to general student expectations and device care, as well as creating and maintaining one's Digital Footprint and Identity. Our digital footprint, or online presence, has long-lasting implications, and it is important for children and young adults to realize that digital footprints are often public and potentially accessible by anyone. This month, you can help your child(ren) learn how they can contribute to a positive digital reputation, both for themselves and for others, by using these resources:

**Monthly Motto:** We define who we are.

**Discussion Question for School and Home:** How can I cultivate my digital identity in ways that are responsible and empowering?

**Digital Footprint & Identify Family Activities:**
- Grades 3-5 [English Spanish](#)
- Grades 6-8 [English Spanish](#)
- Grades 9-12 [English](#)

**Family Tips Sheet**
- Grades K-5 [English Spanish](#)
- Grades 6-12 [English Spanish](#)

**Additional Family Engagement Resources**
Common Sense Media [Resources](#)
Jeffco's Tech for Ed Website [](#)
LENOVO ADP (Accidental Damage Protection)
WARRANTY INFORMATION

View Accidental Damage Protection Warranty information translated into different languages

Note: The purchase of a Lenovo ADP warranty is tied to a specific device serial number and cannot be transferred to another device.

FULL ADP PRICING

Full ADP does not have a limit on the number of warranty repair claims per year.

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Purchase Period for ADP: ADP must be purchased while the product is still under the original warranty.

Coverage Period for ADP: The duration of the extended Lenovo Limited Warranty for your product will be for the period you purchase, commencing on the start date of your original base warranty period. This Service must be purchased during your product’s original warranty period.

School Year Term: Extends the warranty term by two months per year to make allowance for the device not being in use while school is not in session.

COVERAGE

ADP Service WILL COVER

This Service covers operational or structural failure caused by:

- Liquid spills on the keyboard,
- Unintentional bumps or drops from not more than fifteen (15) feet or five (5) meters,
- An electrical surge that damages the product’s circuitry, or failure of the integrated screen, Lenovo will repair or replace (in its sole discretion) the product; provided, however, that the damage to the product is caused by an accident and is unintentional.

This Service only covers components installed in your product at the time of purchase, including the internal central processing unit, integrated hard disk drive, integrated optical drive, integrated keyboard, integrated pointing devices, integrated screen, optional features installed by Lenovo at the time of purchase, and other components that Lenovo includes as a standard feature with the product.

ADP Service WILL NOT COVER

- CRU batteries, light bulbs, memory disks, wire connections, AC adapters, carrying cases or folios, stylus or digitizer pens, cradles, docking stations, port replicators, external keyboards, printers, scanners, external drives, software (preloaded or purchased separately), tapes, CDs, DVDs, film or other media, external modems, external speakers, monitors, external mice or other input/output devices, projectors, any other components not internal to the product, any pre-existing defects in your product that occurred on or before the date of this Agreement, optional features not installed by Lenovo at the time of purchase, accessories purchased in addition to the base unit, third-party products (those not
LENOVO ADP (Accidental Damage Protection)

WARRANTY INFORMATION

- bearing the Lenovo logo) even if sold by Lenovo, products not purchased from Lenovo or any products repaired by anyone other than Lenovo or a service provider authorized by Lenovo.
- Normal wear and tear of the product;
- Parts intended to be replaced or consumed - e.g., batteries, stylus, digitizer pen, etc.
- Cosmetic damage (e.g., scratches, dents, or cracks that do not affect the product’s functionality or structural integrity);
- Damage from abuse, misuse, unauthorized modification, unsuitable physical or operating environment, improper maintenance by anyone other than Lenovo-authorized service providers, removal of original parts or alteration of product or identification labels;
- Damage caused by a product not covered under this Agreement or caused by biohazards or human or animal bodily fluids; or
- Theft, loss or damage from fire, flood, or natural disaster, war, terrorism, acts of God

CHECK THE STATUS OF YOUR DEVICE WARRANTY

Visit https://pcsupport.lenovo.com/us/en/warrantylookup to check the status of your Lenovo warranty before ordering. DHE CANNOT provide an extended warranty if the device is not currently under its original warranty coverage period. This will also assist you in determining the actual duration of your extended warranty based on the original warranty start date.

WARRANTY PURCHASE PROCESS

To purchase the ADP warranty for your device for THIS YEAR’s device from DHE, CLICK HERE. Select the option you would like to purchase, complete the requested information, and submit payment.

FILE A REPAIR CLAIM

If you have a device from a previous year that you want to purchase an ADP for, CLICK HERE. Contact your school to request a warranty repair.

Alternate repair option
You may also contact Lenovo to schedule a warranty repair. Visit https://pcsupport.lenovo.com/us/en/warrantylookup to check the status of your Lenovo device warranty. While on that page after looking up your warranty status, select Repair and select an option to communicate with Lenovo to arrange the repair.
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Students will have a 2 week AMP rotation.
Columbine Hills PTA Fundraiser

Please help support our school!

Virtual Fundraiser 2020

- All purchases will be made online
- Items will ship directly to your buyers home
- 1000’s of great items to choose from!
- Easy links to share via email or Facebook
- Students earn prizes and our school earns $!
  www.ClubsChoiceFundraising.com

Be on the lookout. More info to come!

We Need Your Help!

Sale Dates:
October 5th-19th

Fun Services

Online Catalog with
1000’s of Great Items!

www.FunServicesColorado.com

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“Milk Caps For Mooola” - Longmont Dairy Collects over 8 Million Bottle Caps to Benefit Schools

Longmont Dairy recently announced that it has collected its 8 millionth milk bottle cap from one of over 400 participating schools in the Metro Denver area. The program, called “Milk Caps for Mooola,” reimburses schools five cents for each bottle cap that is collected from students and supporters of the schools.

Northglenn’s STEM Lab School turned in the 8 millionth cap earning them a bonus check that they will use to fund teacher support services such as online subscriptions that augment remote learning.

Longmont Dairy has donated over $400,000 to participating schools since the program started several years ago.

Co-owner, Katie Herrmann, said of the benchmark, “We are so pleased that the Milk Caps for Mooola program has been embraced by so many, especially now that Covid has stretched school budgets. We set up Milk Caps for Mooola to help fund programs that benefit students but may fall outside of normal school budgets.”

Milk Caps for Mooola is open to schools that are located within the Longmont Dairy delivery area. If your school is in one of the following cities, you can call to inquire if you are within the delivery area: Arvada, Aurora, Boulder, Brighton, Broomfield, Centennial, Commerce City, Denver, Erie, Firestone, Fredrick, Fort Lupton, Golden, Highlands Ranch, Lafayette, Lakewood, Littleton, Longmont, Louisville, Northglenn, Parker, Thornton, Westminster, and Wheat Ridge.

Visit www.longmontdairy.com/milk-caps-for-mooola/ to discover if your local school is enrolled. If you don’t have students, you are welcome to donate your bottle caps to participating schools.

If your school would like to sign up, please have a school representative fill out the online form, call Gary Schlagel at 303-776-8466, or email him at garys@longmontdairy.com.

Congratulations to STEM Lab school in Northglenn!
Food For Thought BakPak Program

Beginning Friday, August 28th, (and each Friday thereafter), the Food For Thought BakPak Program will distribute sacks filled with food to students who need food during the weekends. The Food For Thought BakPak Program is a partnership of businesses, faith-based ministries, and the communities of SW Jefferson County who care about hunger needs of students in our schools. This program is designed for families who are struggling financially and may need support to provide adequate food for their children on weekends. The weekend bags consist of food for meals for each participating student. The food will be packed in a plastic grocery bag. It will fit in the child’s own backpack or will be easy to carry. The food is distributed at the end of the school day each Friday.

If you wish for your student(s) to participate in this program, please complete the information below and return to the school office as soon as possible. If participating in this program, your student’s name will be shared with the Light of the World Catholic Church BakPak program coordinator, for the purpose of labeling the bags.

If you do not need assistance, but may be interested in making a monetary or food item donation toward this program, please let Denise Woodin, Columbine Hills Elementary Enrollment Secretary know.

If you have any other questions, please contact Denise Woodin at 303-982-5540 or email at denise.woodin@jeffco.k12.co.us

_____ Yes, I would like my child (children) to participate in this program.

Parent Name: ________________________________

Student: ___________________________ Classroom Teacher: ___________________________

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