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August 22, 2013

Dear Summit Families,

Welcome to the 2013-2014 school year! I am delighted that your children are here and ready to learn. It was great getting to visit with many of you at our picnic last week. If we didn't have the chance to talk, I hope that you are able to join us on our **Curriculum Night**, next Thursday, August 29 at 6:00 pm. This evening is for adults to learn about how you support your student and you will learn about the specific programs that are being used in your child's class.

As we begin this school year I first want to thank you for supporting our school district budget election last fall. As a result, we have received new computers for our lab and we will soon be expecting new devices to be used in the classrooms. Our PTCO also funded mini-iPads for teachers which are being used as an instructional tool. What an exciting time for our students.

This year the school district has expanded safety and security procedures. For many years all of our Cherry Creek high schools and several of our middle schools successfully used the Raptor ID system to check in visitors and parents. We will now have the **Raptor ID system** at all schools, including Summit. Raptor is a visitor registration system that scans a driver's license and/or state ID and checks the information against the National Sex Offender data base. If no match is found, the system will print a visitor's sticker with a picture identifying them as an approved visitor. If the system raises a question about a visitor's background, I as the school administrator will take the necessary steps to ensure the appropriateness of the visit.

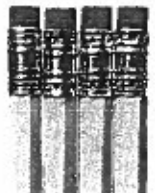
When you visit Summit for the first time, the process will take approximately 30 seconds. Please have your ID ready for us to scan. However, on return visits you will only be required to enter the first three letters of your last name and the system will recognize you. We appreciate your cooperation as we implement the Raptor ID system here.

Lastly, safety is a top priority for all of us. Please know that our morning outside supervision begins at 8:40 am. Children should not arrive prior to this time unless they are having breakfast which begins at 8:30 am. If you are driving your student to school or picking them up, please pay attention to the signage in the lot. You are welcome to park your car in the designated areas. In case of severe weather, where it is unsafe to let the children out at dismissal time, we will hold the students inside until weather clears and it is safe to send them outside.

I look forward to a wonderful year together. I hope that it is in your plans to be at school for Curriculum Night on August 29.

Mary Lams

Principal



## Looking Ahead

Aug. 29	Curriculum Night, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.
Sept. 2	Labor Day holiday, No School
Sept. 4	Hearing screening
Sept. 7	FASB Fitness Festival
Sept. 11	PTCO meeting, 6:00 p.m.

## FASB Fitness Festival

Kick off the new school year at the annual FASB Fitness Festival on Saturday, September 7! Come see your neighbors, friends, teachers and staff, plus coaches from all 6 high schools.

**Register today**, either through your school's team representative or online at [fasbfitnessfestival.com](http://fasbfitnessfestival.com) (online signup closes on Wednesday September 4, or you may register on event day beginning at 7:30 a.m.). **Sign up** to run or walk the 5K or participate in the 1K course, enjoy free food tasting from area restaurants, and help raise money to support wellness programs in your school!


For more information, call the CCSD Wellness Office at 720-554-4247. ■

## Cherry Creek Schools 2013 - 2014 Meal Prices

	Breakfast	Lunch
<b>Elementary</b>	<b>\$1.40</b>	<b>\$2.55</b>
Middle School	\$1.50	\$2.70
High School	\$1.50	\$2.70
<b>Adult</b>	<b>A La Carte Prices</b>	<b>\$3.60</b>
<b>Milk Only</b>	<b>\$0.65</b>	<b>\$0.65</b>

- Encourage your child to practice and memorize their **PIN number**.
- For daily menus and online meal pay go to links on [www.ccsdcafe.org](http://www.ccsdcafe.org).
- If paying at school, please submit all checks or cash with the **student's Last and First names** in order for payment to be credited to the correct student's account. ■

## Visitor Check-in New Raptor ID Safety System

As we begin the 2013-2014 school year, we want to make you aware of the expansion of our safety and security procedures. For many years all of our high schools and several of our middle schools have successfully used the Raptor ID system to check-in visitors and parents. We are now using the Raptor ID system at all of our schools. 

**Raptor is a visitor registration system that scans a driver's license and/or state ID and checks the information against the National Sex Offender data base. If no match is found, the system will print a visitor's sticker with a picture identifying them as an approved visitor.**

**Raptor only scans the visitor's name, date of birth and photo for comparison purposes. No other personal identifying information is saved.**

If the system raises a question about a visitor's background, the school administrator(s) will take the necessary steps to ensure the appropriateness of each individual's visit.

**Upon your initial visit the process will take approximately 30 seconds, however on return visits you will only be required to enter the first three letters of your last name and the system will recognize you.**

Thank you in advance for your cooperation. If you have questions please call Summit's principal or our Director of Safety and Security, Randy Council at 720-554-4489. ■

## Online Records

Thank you for submitting your students' current information online in July/August. Parents can always return to these web-based forms to **update information** that may change during the year, such as important **cell phone numbers, emergency contacts, and etc.** Having the most current and accurate information about our students is vital in any safety, health or weather related circumstance.

**Note:** It is important as well to **report all student absences and late arrivals** by calling 720-886-6495 before 9:30 a.m.

We trust that most parents were able to "**Click In**" in order to receive the latest emails/news from Summit and your PTCO. Do bookmark Summit and the school district's web addresses for easy access. ■

# Summit Back to School Curriculum Night Grades K-5

In order to continue our partnership, the staff of Summit Elementary cordially invites you to attend Curriculum Night.

**Thursday, August 29, 2013**

**6:00 pm-7:30 pm**

**Curriculum Night will begin in the gym.**

**Opening in Gym: 6:00 pm**

- Introductions
- Information on PASS and SAC
- Volunteer information/PTCO

**1<sup>st</sup> Session 6:25 pm-7:00 pm**

Meet in classrooms to review grade level curriculum information and class specific procedures. Sign up for fall conferences will happen at this session.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session: 7:05 pm-7:30 pm (Repeat of session 1.)**

Meet in classrooms to review grade level curriculum information and class specific procedures. Sign up for fall conferences will happen at this session.

Please note this evening is for adults. Unfortunately, supervision for children will not be available.

## Safety Matters!

Important information when you drive your child to school-please read below.

Parking is not allowed along the red painted fire curbs. Signs are posted.



Along the unpainted curb the posted sign is below. Drivers must remain with their car to keep the flow of traffic moving and to keep lanes clear in case of emergencies.



If we all work together to follow the rules the arrival and dismissal process will go smoother and safer for everyone. Thank you for your cooperation.



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## District Vision and Hearing Screenings

Vision and hearing screening are conducted for students in their schools according to the Colorado Department of Education guidelines. These guidelines indicate that all students in Pre-kindergarten, kindergarten, first, second, third, fifth, seventh and ninth grades receive vision and hearing screening. Because of the important connection between a student's academic achievement and his/her vision and hearing, parents are encouraged to allow their student to participate in this screening.

**Vision:** The screening is done by the school nurse and trained volunteers at no charge to the parent. First-graders will receive a comprehensive vision screening for color-blindness, near and distance vision, depth perception, convergence, and eye alignment. All others will receive distance screening. Remember, the vision screening is just a screening, not the complete ophthalmologic exam that is provided by a doctor.

**Hearing:** The screening is done by district licensed audiologists at no charge to the parent.

Additional diagnostic audiological evaluations are available free of charge at the district's Audiology Department for:

- Students whose hearing *results indicate a potential problem*
- Annual follow-up for students who have a history of hearing problems

You will be notified only if your student does not pass one or more of the screenings.

❖ If you do **NOT** wish your child to be screened this year, please contact the Summit Nurses at 720-886-6409.

**Vision Screening:** Tuesday October 15, 2013 through Friday October 18, 2013

**Hearing Screening:** Wednesday September 4, 2013 and Thursday December 19, 2013 ■

## School Newsletter The Echo

Effective September 5th, the Echo, our school newsletter will be sent electronically/ posted online monthly.

No further paper copies will be sent home.


It will be posted online on the Summit website on the first Thursday of each school month. Go to [www.cherrycreekschools.org/Schools/Summit/Pages/Newsletter.aspx](http://www.cherrycreekschools.org/Schools/Summit/Pages/Newsletter.aspx).

A few hard copies will be made available near the office. ■



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## Registration is Now Open for the 2013 - 2014 Kindergarten Enrichment Program

Enroll your child now to secure placement in Summit's Kindergarten Enrichment beginning this August. 

For more information about this program, please contact our KEP Specialist Therese Parente at 720-886-6417 or [tparente@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:tparente@cherrycreekschools.org). ■



# Annual Notification Under 34 CFR § 300.154(d)(2)(iv)

The regulations implementing the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), afford parents eligible students certain rights with respect to a school district's ability to access private insurance or public benefits, such as Medicaid, to help pay for certain services that are provided at school. These rights are as follows:

1. **YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO RECEIVE NOTICE IN AN UNDERSTANDABLE LANGUAGE.** The school district must give you an annual written notice of your rights, which must be written in language understandable to the general public; and also provided in the native language of the parent or other mode of communication used by the parent, unless it is clearly not feasible to do so.

2. **YOUR CHILD'S CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION CANNOT BE DISCLOSED WITHOUT YOUR CONSENT.** Parental consent must be obtained under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) regulations at 34 CFR part 99 and the IDEA regulations at §300.622 before the school district discloses, for claiming purposes, your child's personally identifiable information to the agency responsible for the administration of the State's public benefits or insurance program (e.g., Medicaid);

3. **YOUR CHILD HAS A RIGHT TO SPECIAL EDUCATION AND RELATED SERVICES AT NO COST TO YOU.** This means that, with regard to services required to provide a Free Appropriate Public Education ("FAPE") to an eligible child under IDEA, the school district

- ❖ May not require parents to sign up for or enroll in public benefits or insurance programs in order for their child to receive FAPE;
- ❖ May not require parents to incur an out-of-pocket expense such as the payment of a deductible or co-pay amount incurred in filing a claim for services provided pursuant to this part, but may pay the cost that the parents otherwise would be required to pay;
- ❖ May not use a child's benefits under a public benefits or insurance program if that use would:
  - Decrease available lifetime coverage or any

other insured benefit;

- Result in the family paying for services that would otherwise be covered by the public benefits or insurance program and that are required for the child outside of the time the child is in school;
- Increase premiums or lead to the discontinuation of benefits or insurance; or
- Risk loss of eligibility for home and community-based waivers, based on aggregate health-related expenditures.

4. **YOU MAY WITHDRAW CONSENT AT ANY TIME.** Once you've given consent for disclosure of confidential information about your child to the agency responsible for the administration of the State's public benefits or insurance program (e.g., Medicaid), you have a legal right under the FERPA regulations to withdraw that consent whenever you wish.

5. **IF YOU REFUSE CONSENT, OR WITHDRAW CONSENT, THE SCHOOL DISTRICT STILL HAS TO PROVIDE REQUIRED SERVICES AT NO COST TO YOU.** If you refuse to provide consent for the disclosure of personally identifiable information to the agency responsible for the administration of the State's public benefits or insurance program (e.g., Medicaid), or, if you give consent but then later withdraw consent, that does not relieve the school district of its responsibility to ensure that all required services are provided at no cost to the parents. ■





**Saturday, September 7, 2013**

8390 E. Crescent Parkway  
(near DTC Blvd & Belleview Ave.)  
Greenwood Village 80111

Go to [fasbfitnessfestival.com](http://fasbfitnessfestival.com) to register  
For more information call CCSD Wellness  
Office at 720-554-4247

**Move to Learn!  
Brain Development  
and Movement**



Presented by  
**Kim Bevill**

Founder of Gray Matters, Inc.

**Tuesday** after Labor Day, **September 3**  
**9:15 - 11:15 a.m.**

*(Come at 9:00 a.m. for refreshments and networking)*

at the **Student Achievement Resource Center (SARC)**  
**14188 E. Briarwood Ave., Englewood 80112**  
(South of Arapahoe Rd, between Potomac and Jordan Roads)

Kim Bevill will talk about movement and brain development in children. She will present the highlights of "learning in motion" and will give hands-on strategies that parents and teachers can use to help make learning easier and more impactful to boys and girls of all ages.

PIN presentations are held the **first Tuesday** of each month and are **Free**. For further information go to: [pinccsd.org](http://pinccsd.org) ■

**Summit Link**

Scan this with your smart phone



or visit [www.cherrycreekschools.org/Schools/Summit/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.cherrycreekschools.org/Schools/Summit/Pages/default.aspx) for school information / updates. ■

**2013-2014  
Summit Staff**

- Principal**  
Mary Lams
- Kindergarten**  
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- Kindergarten Enrichment**  
Therese Parente
- 1st gr.**  
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Katie Edwards
- 2nd gr.**  
Bev Gomez  
Dondi Smith  
JoAn Gibb
- 3rd gr.**  
Mike Ginsberg  
Bev Feller
- 3rd / 4th gr.**  
Karin Alfonso
- 4th gr.**  
Kim Fransen  
Kate Jones
- 5th gr.**  
Lisa Kirk  
Kerry Philo  
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Rochele Rattiner  
Melissa Pierce  
Scott Fearon  
Diana Fogliano  
Kerry Philo  
Erin Fossen  
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Natalie Walker
- Preschool**  
Karen Debonis  
Denise Pruitt  
Lorie Kucey
- Before/  
After School Director**  
Josh Steiner



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### **Volunteers needed for Cherry Creek Schools Long Range Facility Planning Committee**

Are you interested in the future of the Cherry Creek School District? Would you like to be involved with long-range planning for schools and other facilities? Then consider volunteering for the district's Long-Range Facility Planning Committee.

This group of citizens and district employees evaluates issues including new construction, renovation of existing facilities, attendance boundaries and four track calendar issues. The group advises the Board of Education and recommends cost effective plans for capital facilities.

More information about this volunteer opportunity is available in Board of Education policy BDF R-5 at <http://www.cherrycreekschools.org/BOE/Board%20Policies%20%20Section%20B/BDFR-5.pdf> and BDF at <http://www.cherrycreekschools.org/BOE/Board%20Policies%20%20Section%20B/BDF.pdf>.

If you are interested in serving on the Long Range Facility Planning Committee, please contact Sheila Graham, Assistant Superintendent for Educational Support Services, at 720-554-4484 no later than **Tuesday, September 3, 2013**.





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Colorado Department  
of Public Health  
and Environment

January 10, 2013

Dear Parents of Students in Colorado Schools, K through 12<sup>th</sup> Grades (School Year 2013-14),

Immunizations are an important part of our children's health care, and Colorado law requires that children going to school be vaccinated to prevent vaccine-preventable disease. The purpose of this letter is to let you know which vaccines are **required** for school attendance and which vaccines are **recommended** for best protection against vaccine-preventable disease (see chart on second page).

As a parent, it is important to know that in addition to the vaccines **required** by the state of Colorado Board of Health for school entry, there are vaccines that are **recommended** by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP). This is the immunization schedule that will best protect your child from even more vaccine-preventable diseases.

Parents often have concerns or want more information on children's immunizations and vaccine safety. A resource developed for parents with frequently asked questions about the safety and importance of vaccines can be located at: [www.ImmunizeForGood.com](http://www.ImmunizeForGood.com). The Colorado Immunization Program's website is located at: [www.ColoradoImmunizations.com](http://www.ColoradoImmunizations.com).

Schools work hard to ensure compliance with the immunization laws. Your help in providing updated immunization records at school registration and when your child receives additional vaccine(s) is greatly appreciated. *Please discuss your child's vaccination needs with your child's doctor or local public health agency. (To find your local public health department's contact information call the Family Health Line at 1-303-692-2229 or 1-800-688-7777). Please bring your child's updated immunization records to the school each time your child receives an immunization.*

Sincerely,

Colorado Immunization Program  
Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment  
303-692-2650

**MINIMUM NUMBER OF DOSES REQUIRED FOR CERTIFICATE OF IMMUNIZATION**  
Kindergarten through Grade 12, 2013-14 Required for School Attendance.

VACCINE	Number of Doses <i>Vaccines administered ≤ 4 days before the minimum age are valid</i>	Grades K-12 (5-18 Years of Age)
<p><b>Tetanus/Diphtheria</b> <i>DT only licensed through 6 yrs of age.</i></p>	3 to 5	<p>5 DT (if dose 4 was administered on or after the 4<sup>th</sup> birthday, the requirement is met). If child is 7 yrs of age or older, must have 3 appropriately spaced tetanus/diphtheria containing vaccines (DTaP, DT, Td, Tdap) - 4 wks between dose 1 &amp; 2 and 6 mos between dose 2 &amp; 3</p>
<p><b>Polio (IPV)</b></p>	3 to 4	<p>4 IPV (if dose 3 was administered on or after the 4<sup>th</sup> birthday, requirement met). Final dose must be given no sooner than 4<sup>th</sup> birthday.</p>
<p><b>Measles/Mumps/Rubella (MMR)</b> <i>Proposed for this school year - 1 dose of Rubella meets requirement.</i></p>	2	<p>The 1st dose cannot be administered more than 4 days before the 1<sup>st</sup> birthday. 2 doses required for K thru 12<sup>th</sup> grades.</p>
<p><b>Varicella (Chickenpox)</b> <i>Documentation of disease from a health care provider (physician, RN or PA) is required.</i></p>	1 or 2	<p>The 1<sup>st</sup> dose cannot be administered more than 4 days before the 1<sup>st</sup> birthday. 2 doses are required for children entering K through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. 1 dose is required for 7<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades.</p>
<p><b>Hepatitis B</b> <i>Students who have not received 3 doses of Hep B vaccine prior to 7/1/2009 must follow the minimum intervals recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP)</i></p>	3	<p>The second dose must be administered at least 4 weeks after the first dose. The third dose must be administered at least 16 weeks after the first dose and at least 8 weeks after the second dose. The final dose is to be administered no sooner than 24 weeks (6 mos) of age. The 2-dose series is acceptable for ages 11-15 years. 2 doses can only be accepted using the approved vaccine for the 2-dose series with proper documentation (name of the vaccine, dosage, dates, and interval).</p>

**RECOMMENDED VACCINES FOR THE BEST PROTECTION**  
AGAINST VACCINE-PREVENTABLE DISEASE

VACCINE	Number of Doses	Grades K-12 (5-18 Years of Age) <i>Vaccines administered ≤ 4 days before the minimum age are valid</i>
<b>Influenza (Flu)</b>	1 to 2	2 doses initially if under 9 yrs of age with a minimum interval of 28 days between doses, then 1 dose annually, thereafter. Recommended for children 6 months of age and older.
<b>Meningococcal Meningitis (MCV)</b>	1 to 2	Adolescents 11-18 years of age
<b>Human Papillomavirus (HPV)</b>	3	Adolescents 11-18 years of age.
<b>Hepatitis A (Hep A)</b>	2	All children 1 year and older

For REQUIRED vaccines: A laboratory test showing immunity is acceptable.

**You must provide one of the following to your child's school in order to comply with the law:**

1. A completed Certificate of Immunization certifying that the student has received minimum immunizations.
2. If a student's Certificate of Immunization is not up to date, the parent/guardian or emancipated student has 14 days after direct notification to provide documentation that the next required immunization was administered and submit a written plan for completion of any additional required immunizations. If the plan is not completed, the student shall be expelled or suspended from school for non-compliance. Exception to this rule is a shortage of vaccine.
3. Statement of Exemption to Immunization - Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment Certificate of Immunization:
  - a) a *medical* exemption signed by licensed physician stating that the student's physical condition is such that immunizations would endanger life or health or is otherwise medically contraindicated; or
  - b) a *religious* exemption signed by the parent, guardian, or emancipated student that the student adheres to a religious belief opposed to immunizations; or
  - c) a *personal* exemption signed by the parent, guardian, or emancipated student that the student adheres to a personal belief opposed to immunizations.

Immunization requirements will be strictly enforced for all students. Students who do not meet the requirements will be denied attendance according to Colorado Revised Statutes 25-4-902.



Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment

Call about free or low cost vaccines at Family Health Line at 303-692-2229 or 1-800-688-7777



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### ***Move to Learn!***

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Kim is a nationally renowned speaker and trainer on the subject of neuroscience and how children's brains learn. In a message every parent needs to hear, Kim will hit the highlights of "learning in motion," and will give hands-on strategies that parents and teachers can use to help make learning easier and more impactful. Kim's focus on helping children move to the next level of efficiency, learning, health and wellness is backed by groundbreaking research and hands-on experience that has brought meaningful results to boys and girls of all ages.

All parents, school administrators and community members are welcome and encouraged to attend Parent Information Network (PIN) presentations. No need to RSVP—just come!

Presentations are free and are held the first Tuesday of each month  
at the **Student Achievement Resource Center (SARC)**:  
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*Come at 9:00 a.m. for refreshments and networking*

Visit [www.PINccsd.org](http://www.PINccsd.org) for Podcasts and Meeting Highlights.

#### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

- October 1<sup>st</sup> — Eyes Wide Open: A Brave New Look at Bullying
- November 4<sup>th</sup> (evening presentation, time TBA) &  
November 5<sup>th</sup> — Bounce Back Stronger: Resiliency in Action
- December 3<sup>rd</sup> — What's Next? Creating your Best 2<sup>nd</sup> Half of Life

