

Beattie Bighorn News

RAMS Climb Higher

September 2020

Beattie Elementary

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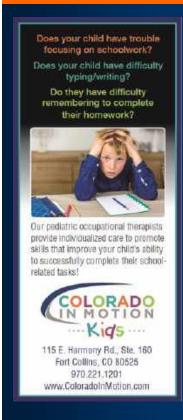
School Website



IMPORTANT DATES				
MONTH/ DAY	TIME	EVENT		
Sept 4		Spirit Day: "School Colors" (Orange & Blue)		
Sept 7		NO SCHOOL- Labor Day		
Sept 10	3:45 PM	BAT/PTO parent meeting (Virtual)		
Sept 18		Spirit Day: "Hawaiian Shirt"		
Sept 22	5:00-6:00 PM	School Advisory Committee (SAC) meeting (Virtual)		
Sept 30		October Newsletter is published and emailed		









School is a little different this year...

Principal to Parent

School is underway. Yes, very different than how it has looked in the past even when compared to the spring. But underway none-the-less. I am so glad that we were able to see our students for two days last week to give them needed materials and laptops. We know that we will need to make continual adjustments as we go to improve what we are doing, and to help those struggling to be involved in the day-to-day learning. We will problem solve tech issues with you as they arise and refer you to district resources if the problems are beyond what we can solve. We also know that students may need replacement laptops for a number of reasons. We will work with you to solve that problem too. Stay in touch with teachers, and with me if needed, so that we can ensure that everyone is having their needs met during at-home, online learning this first quarter.

Mr. Patterson







Communication

As we shared previously, it is critically important for you to stay informed regarding all that is happening at school. Check the school website periodically for news and other posts. Check teacher learning pages and links to grade level



websites. Log in to ParentVUE and be sure you can access information. Be sure the office has your updated email address so that you can receive important announcements sent out as well as newsletters and other messages. Use email and call us when having specific questions. Keep the communication channels open and stay informed.



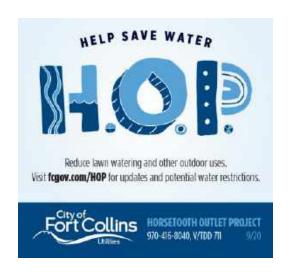
Technology Help

We know that parents will have questions about devices and access. Poudre School District (PSD) Information Technology (IT) staff will support students and families who need help during remote education by

at covidtechhelp@psdschools.org or

through the new family and student support line at 970-490-3339.

PSD IT will launch a new technical support website that will offer device troubleshooting and application technical support information, how-to guides, a calendar with important upcoming dates related to PSD technology and more. Information will be available in multiple languages.







We will be taking attendance each day during at-home, online learning. This will resemble the process we follow when in school. If your child will not be able to participate in class meetings and learning on any given day for whatever reason, call the attendance line to report the absence at (970) 488-4226. You can also email to bettef@psdschools.org.

Beattie Staff Changes

Every school in our district has experienced staff changes. These changes have occurred for a number of reasons, and I am happy to say that we have most staff in place at this time. Mrs. Aaeng is teaching this year with PSD Virtual, and we were fortunate to hire Ms. Angela Grider to fill her spot in 5th grade. We have had changes in Integrated Services, with Ms. Emma Flynn joining our team as our School Psychologist, and Mrs. Louise Belleau serving as our Occupational Therapist. We have lost a number of paraprofessionals that we have not been able to replace yet and will need to hire a crossing guard before we return to in-person learning.

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Weekly Video Announcements

We plan to continue to have weekly video announcements. Those will be posted on the front page of our website. Instead of students sharing the news, we will have our staff deliver the announcements, including the Joke-of-the-Week feature. We are encouraging students to share pictures of their birthdays, as well as pictures of them engaged in at-home learning. We will choose a few to share each week from the



submissions we receive. Those pictures can be sent directly to Mr. Patterson at dpatterson@psdschools.org.

Upcoming Meetings

We do have two parent organizations that plan to continue meeting throughout the year. Those monthly meetings will be virtual for now, and conducted through Microsoft Teams, the online meeting format we are using across most of our classrooms.



Beattie Action Team (BAT) is scheduled to meet on September 10. That meeting will occur from 3:45-4:45 PM.

School Advisory Committee (SAC) is meeting on September 22. Participants will meet from 5:00-6:00 PM.

Breakfast/Lunch Program

Ensuring kids have access to nutritious meals during the 2020-21 school year is a top priority in our district. PSD Child Nutrition and the Transportation Departments have teamed up to make meals available to students at several locations across the district. Sack meals are available to PSD students (beginning Aug. 24) from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday. Students will be able to get two sack meals - one sack lunch for that day and a sack breakfast for the following morning. Beattie Elementary is one food distribution location. Check the district website for information regarding other school and mobile locations around Fort Collins, and daily menus.

https://www.psdschools.org/psd2020-21/mealsremotelearning





Spirit Days

We are still going to have Beattie Spirit Days. When the children meet with teachers virtually, they can show off their "spirit wear"! Our first Spirit Day will be on September 4, and we are asking that students wear Beattie school colors, orange and blue. September 18 is Hawaiian shirt day. Have fun Beattie Bighorns!!

Beattie Community Resources

PSD Lunch Program

- ★ Meals provided to any PSD student 11:00am-1:00pm on scheduled PSD school days.
- PSD students can get meals from any PSD serving kitchens listed below.
- ★ One sack lunch will be served for that day as well as one breakfast for the following school day.
- ★ Students will use their student ID to pay for their meal.
- ★ Free and Reduced students will get either meal at no cost & paid students will be charged the normal breakfast and lunch cost.

Transportation will be delivering lunches to stops around the neighborhoods of schools. In our neighborhood, they will be:

- Bay Dr Aggie Village Driveway
- Valley Forge & Sheffield Dr At Village Green Pool

The bus driver will collect student ID numbers for accounting.



Schools where lunches will be served: Beattie * Boltz * CLPE * Eyestone * Irish * Laurel * Lesher * Linton * Lopez *
Mountain Schools-Serviced by bus routes * Olander * Timnath * Werner * Zach

DO YOU NEED HELP PAYING FOR YOUR MONTHLY GROCERIES? GET FOOD ASSISTANCE IN A SNAP

THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP) CAN HELP!

SNAP is

- Available to those who qualify:
 - There are enough benefits for everyone. Participating in SNAP doesn't take benefits away from anyone.
- Convenient and discreet
 - It looks and works just like a debit card

With SNAP, you can...

- Buy nutritious and delicious foods:
 - It helps the household afford personal and health food choices
- Shop where you want and how you want:
 SNAP benefits are accepted at most grocery stores, convenience stores, and even some farmers markets

To learn more, contact the SNAP	Team at	SNAP@FOODBANKLARIMER.ORG
or by calling 970-829-0152		

HOUSEHOLD	GROSS MONTHLY INCOME LIMIT	NET MONTHLY INCOME LIMIT	
1	\$2,082	\$1,041	
2	\$2,820	\$1,410	
3	\$3,556	\$1,778	
4	\$4,292	\$2,146	
5	\$5,030	\$2,515	
6	\$5,766	\$2,883	
7	\$6,502	\$3,251	
8	\$7,240	\$3,620	
EACH ADDITIONAL MEMBER	\$736	\$369	





Beattie Community Resources

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What is P-EBT?

P-EBT provides your family with funds to help buy food since schools were closed this Spring due to the pandemic. You can receive up to \$279 per eligible child to stretch your food budget!

Who is eligible?

If your child was eligible for free or reduced-price meals last school year at a school that participates in the National School Lunch Program, they are eligible to get P-EBT. Immigration status does not matter for P-EBT and P-EBT is not part of the public charge rule.

How do I get P-EBT benefits?

You can access your benefits on an EBT or P-EBT card, which acts just like a debit card. If your household received SNAP in March, April, and May, your additional P-EBT benefit should automatically be loaded onto the EBT card you already have. If you were on SNAP but did not receive P-EBT on your card automatically by July 31st, 2020, or your household did not receive SNAP during the months of March April, and May, you need to fill out a simple online application at coloradopeak, force, com/PEBT.



How do I get P-EBT benefits? (cont)

If you have never had a Colorado EBT card before, a new P-EBT card will be mailed to you. It may take between 12-24 days to receive your P-EBT card.

If you have had a Colorado EBT card in the past, your benefits will be issued onto that card. You can email PEBT2020@state.co.us after submitting your application if you need to request a replacement card.

Applying for P-EBT is easy!

Go to coloradopeak.force.com/PEBT, you will need to provide:

- Your name, date of birth, mailing address where your card can be sent and a phone number in case the state needs to follow up on your application
- . Your household size and income for the months of March, April, and May 2020 may be necessary
- The student's name, date of birth, school district, school name, and State Issued ID Number (sometimes referred to as a SASID)*

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No ID Needed or Requested!



FAMILY & MATERNITY RESOURCE FAIR

Saturday, September 12th

9:00 am to 11:30 am

Please do nat arrive early

Northside Aztlan Community Center

112 E Willow St, Fort Collins, CO 80524

Children's Clothing • Household Supplies Hygiene Items • Maternity Clothing Community Resource Information Event Food • Infant & Toddler Supplies AND MUCH MUCH MORE!!

This resource fair is a DRIVE THAOUGH EVENT.
Please remain in your vehicle, wear masks, and practice social distancing while attending.

Please call Stephanie Coleman at 488-4271 to reserve your spot for this event.

Housing / Shelter

- Catholic Charities 460 Linden 970-484-5010
- Denver Rescue Mission 316 Jefferson 970-224-4302
- Family Housing Network 300 E. Oak 970-484-3342
- Housing Catalyst 1715 W. Mountain Ave 970-416-2910
- Neighbor to Neighbor 1550 Blue Spruce Dr. 970-488-2383
- Serve 6.8 2700 S. Lemay 970-449-5401 or <u>info@serve69.org</u>
- House of Neighborly Services Loveland 970-667-4939
- Family Promise of Larimer County (formerly known as Angel House) - Loveland 1511 11th Street 970-663-1716

General Health & Mental Health Services

- Summit Stone Crisis Center 970-494-4200
- Colorado Crisis Center 884-493-8255 or text "Talk" to 38255
- Mental Health Connections 970-221-5551
- La Cocina- telehealth available 970-232-0740 or email: Hola@LaCocinaHome.org
- Centennial's Health and Wellness Center- serving all PSD students- 970-488-4940 call and leave a message and you will receive a call back. Physical/Mental Health needs for students.
- CAYAC 970-221-3308 referrals for counseling and/or psychiatric services
- Crossroads Safehouse (Domestic Abuse Only)
 421 Parker 970-482-3502
- Dept of Human Services- (Child Abuse or Neglect) 970-498-6990