

Bison Bulletin

September 2018

Clear Sky Elementary

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8:30am-4:30pm

Clear Sky PTO



Message from the Principal

Dear Families,

It has been a great start to the new year! Your children have come to school ready to learn and their enthusiasm is palpable!! The clap in was a huge success and it is fun to see it grow every year. Thanks for coming and helping your students start the year off positively! We had a great turn out for our Freddy's Night! It is so fun to get to meet all of the families and who doesn't love burgers and ice cream! Thank you to our PTO for sponsoring such a fun event.

I wanted to make you aware of an opportunity we have for parents over the next two years. That is to serve on our SAC (School Accountability Committee). The state requires that each school has a SAC committee. The purpose of the SAC Committee is to inform, encourage and provide opportunities for parents and community members to be involved in the planning and evaluation of the school's instructional program and quality improvement processes. The SAC committee consists of myself, a teacher, 3 parents (though we include as many as would like to participate!), a PTO representative, and a community member. SAC members serve for 2 years. The SAC committee meets 4 times a year for about an hour. The time commitment is minimal. If you are interested in serving on the SAC committee or would like to nominate someone you know to serve on the SAC committee please let me know by e-mail at kellie.roe@dcsdk12.org by September 14th. This is a great opportunity to learn more about Clear Sky! Please know that everyone is welcome to attend SAC committee meetings, even if you aren't a member of the SAC committee.

We are excited for another great school year and partnering with you to meet the needs of all of our students! As always if you have any questions or concerns (or would just like to chat!) please don't hesitate to stop by.

Sincerely,

Kellie Roe



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Important Dates to Remember:

September

Friday 9/7

Broncos Spirit Day!

9/7-9/9

DCSD Back to School Weekend at the Rockies.
Discounted tix and partial proceeds returned to CSE.
For more information and to buy tickets, please visit
www.rockies.com/SCHOOLS
Promo Code: DCSD

Tuesday 9/11

Patriot Day – wear your **red**, and **blue**!

Boosterthon Kick-Off

Wednesday 9/12

Colorado Proud Day in the Bistro – see our Cafeteria
news for details!

Saturday 9/15

Back to School Night at the Rapids! 1:30 pm match
Rapids vs. Atlanta United
To purchase please visit:
<https://rapids.teamkse.com/back2schoolcdsd/>
\$5 of each ticket cost comes back to our school!

CVHS Feeder Parade – leave at 4pm from
Meadowview Elementary

Thursday 9/20

Boosterthon Fun Run!

Friday 9/21

NO SCHOOL – Professional Development Day

Tuesday 9/25

SAC Meeting – 9:15 am in the Bungalow

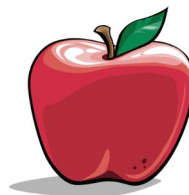
Wednesday 9/26

Lifetouch Fall Photo Re-takes

Friday 9/28

CSE Bison Fall Festival (see PTO below for details!)

Fall Break will be the week of October 8th -12th!!



Don't forget – **Spirit Day is every Friday** – wear your blue, white or gray/silver OR
Bronco colors during the football season!

****some dates and times may change - notifications will be made by Thursday folders,
emails or phone blasts**





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Berry's Bits

Welcome Back Clear Sky Community,

We are off to a great start to the school year. We have welcomed new teachers and new students to add to our amazing community. Students and teachers are in a great routine and have already done some amazing learning around the expectations at Clear Sky. Students and teachers all participated in a Bison Migration. This was the opportunity to take a "field trip" though the school and learn the expectations in the different areas of the school. The migration is new to Clear Sky and was created from the Positive Behavior Intervention and Support committee. The migration help to support our BISON Strong behavior that are part of the PBiS here at Clear Sky. With PBiS, students are able to earn rewards individually or for the entire class. We are excited for another AMAZING year at Clear Sky!!! As always, please feel free to reach out to me with questions or concerns. We will always do our best to make sure students feel safe and welcome at school.

Thank you for all you do,

Katie Berry, Assistant Principal



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6th Grade

6th grade is off and running!!! We have had an exciting couple of weeks!!!

On August 14th, all 6th graders went to Stone Canyon to kick off our planner "Who Am I". During this field trip, students worked on team building with their homerooms, archery, and high ropes!!! They will be returning to Stone Canyon for their Outdoor Education Program in the Spring, so it was a great chance to get familiar with the surroundings and expectations. During our planner, "Who Am I", students will discover about themselves as a learner. They will discuss about how a growth mindset can help them now and in the future. They will explore through taking an Emergenetic survey on how their brain prefers to learn new things. All students will set personal and academic growth goals three times this year.

Students will learn Financial Literacy by participating in many lessons designed by International Towne. These lessons are centered around three themes of Interdependence, Supply and Demand, and Navigating Different Cultures. We will end our first planner by visiting International Towne. During this field trip, every student will have a unique job participating and running a country.

You are welcome to watch a short introductory video about what your child will be doing by going to <https://youtu.be/ChibXrgJMRY>.

4th Grade

It has been a great start to fourth grade! The students have been participating in many group challenges and getting to know each other better. In science, we are learning about ecosystems. The students are also learning about the state symbols for Colorado, and they will be presenting the information to parents on September 14th.

We are looking forward to a fun year!

Art News

Hi from the Art room! Its so fun to have the kids back in the art room creating amazing work! This year I will be using a new online art gallery called Artsonia. Its so cool! I will be uploading ALL of your child's artwork in the website throughout the year. You can also upload any artwork they create at home and create a fan club for your child and share their work with friends and family. Artsonia offers a wide range of products you can purchase featuring your child's art which will support the art program here at CSE. I sent home a permission slip in Thursday folders. Please follow directions to sign up for this fun program!! Check out Artsonia at <https://www.artsonia.com/> I would love to have a couple of parent volunteers to photograph the artwork each week. Please contact me if you are interested!

My favorite new quote is "Art speaks where words are unable to explain". During this rotation of art students will be expressing themselves through self portraits. Look for their smiling faces throughout the halls of Clear Sky!

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6th Grade Field Trip



Music

Choirs:

3rd – 6th grades are in Singers.

All students still interested in singing in choir for our musical are encouraged to see Mrs. Dome to enroll. Our musical this year is Elf, Jr. All fees are due ASAP! We hope to see you sing with us.

1st – 2nd grade are in Jr. Singers.

This groups begins Friday, Sept. 7 at 8:15am. We meet every Friday. Fees are due Sept. 7, 2018. Hope to see you singing with us.

Grade Level Classes:

Grades 3 – 6 are working on our Orff Unit. The start of this unit begins with recorders. All students should have their own book and recorders set, as well as a journal (composition notebook) to write in. If your student is still in need of any of these, the package for recorder and book is \$10.00. Each separately is \$5.00 each.

1st grade: We are currently working on multicultural dances. Our program will be Oct. 3, 2018 at 6pm. The program will last about 30 minutes. Students will even be dancing with their parents. Come for a fun filled night of dancing.

2nd Grade: We are currently working on reading and writing music and will be headed into instrument families. Please help your student enjoy finding musical instruments and listening to them on the internet. Please, only under your supervision.

Kindergarten: We are currently learning to enjoy all that music has to offer and its form. Ask your student about Star Wars and play along with them to the main theme. It will make for a great family night of fun.

RECORDER BAGS:

There is a small fundraiser going on in music. Students may purchase a cloth recorder bag from me for a donation. We paid \$2.00 each, so we are asking for at least this amount, or any you are comfortable giving if they would like one. The proceeds go to new drums and repair kits for instruments. So far, it has been amazing at the responses. Thank you so much.

I am looking forward to happy new year with your children.
Mrs. Dome



CORN MAZE

September 21 – October 28
Fridays, Saturdays & Sundays

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MINI-MAZE (10 & under)

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The poster features a vibrant illustration of a corn maze with people of various ages and ethnicities exploring it. In the background, there are rolling hills and a small red barn. The text is arranged in a clear, easy-to-read layout with bold fonts for key information.

Science

Welcome to the science lab! My name is Mrs. Anderegg and I have the absolute privilege to work with all Clear Sky students when they come to the science lab for their special rotation. For this first rotation, we have been focusing on a school-wide unit, the states of matter. We are focusing on the states of matter as well as the scientific method while doing experiments with bubbles, dry ice, rocket balloons, other fun materials to support our learning. The students are eager to learn and watching their faces light up when they are engaged is such a gift! My goal this year is to make science engaging and hands-on while teaching the students to think like scientists!

Thank you for sharing your children with me!



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Innovation Lab

Welcome back! I hope everyone's first few weeks of school went well and that the 2018-19 school year is off to a great start!

We have hit the ground running here in the Innovation Lab! During their first rotation in the lab, students will be reviewing the LAUNCH Cycle. This is a kid-friendly approach to the Design Thinking process. To help them with this, grade levels will be working with a different "Superhero Challenge".

Kindergarten students are building a prototype of something to help rescue the superheroes from atop the world's tallest building.

1st - 3rd Grade students are choosing from six different challenges: water rescue, a single bound, superhero gadget, strongest web, rescue from uptop, and glider back-up. All of the challenges have students building and testing prototypes.

4th Grade students are designing a web that can hold weight.

5th Grade students are designing a prototype of a superhero helmet that must protect a water balloon "head".

6th Grade students are designing and building a superhero city.

Want to learn more about Design Thinking or LAUNCH?

Visit these two resources:

Design Thinking - <https://www.ideou.com/pages/design-thinking>

LAUNCH - <http://thelaunchcycle.com/>

Want to donate?

We are always looking for materials, expertise, and extra hands!

We are currently looking for the following items: Clorox Wipes, Rechargeable AA or AAA Batteries, an old Operation game...we need it for dissection, LEGOS, Snap Circuits, and board games (even if they are missing pieces we can use them).

Visit our updated Google Doc

(<https://goo.gl/3RIMpJ>) to see what materials we need. If you want to volunteer your time, please feel free to contact me. You will find a form on the "Maker Program Materials" page.

Jennifer
Innovation Lab Specialist @ CSE
STAR Discovery Educator & LC Member
BrainPOP Jr. Technology Advisor
<http://www.theteacherscorner.net>



Health/Movement

For the month of September, The monthly challenge is designed to help us all increase our water intake. This challenge will run through September 30th. Students will have until Oct 5th to turn them into the Yellow Health Box Located in between the Music Room and Gym next to the TV screen.

A flyer went home in Thursday folders on Aug. 30th. See the flyer below.

Stay Hydrated! --

Mrs. McBee/ Health/Movement



Challenge for the Month of September: Water you Drink!

This month-long challenge is designed to encourage you to boost your daily consumption of water. Not all experts agree on what, precisely, is the amount of water one needs to drink every day to maintain a healthy level of hydration. However, in general, the recommendation that is considered to be a safe and prudent amount of daily water is the 8x8 rule: an eight-ounce glass of water, eight times a day.

Each day of the month, record the number of 8-ounce glasses of water (WATER ONLY) you drink. Remember 8 oz. = 1 cup

Dehydration occurs when you don't have enough water in your body to carry out normal functions. Even mild hydration can drain your energy, make you tired, dry out your skin, cause headaches, cause dizziness or make you feel "foggy." Turn in Completed sheets by October 5th to the YELLOW Health Box near the big screen in the main hallway.

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English Language Learner (ELL) Update

Aurora Green
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Dear families,

Welcome back! We are excited for growing enthusiasm of the Growth Mindset that our students will be exploring this school year!

Our goal of maintaining high educational expectations for students at all levels of language learning, through fostering the skill of critical thinking, is an essential component of Growth Mindset. At Clear Sky our language learners come from such diverse backgrounds, and our thinking is stretched even further. Thank you for the opportunity to be a part of your child's language learning!

We started the school year by getting to know our new students and welcoming back our returning ones! CSE's ESL population of new ESL students is growing each year, and we are thrilled and anxious to provide them with the most support they need! All of our new students were given a screener assessment to properly place them for their language proficiency. Parents' notifications were mailed both to parents and district to notify them about students' new placements. Interviews with parents were encouraged as they were part of students' qualifications for our program. Speaking a second language is a gift, so let's all work together to nourish this gift!

Ms. Green and I are also excited to facilitate the Reading Together program! Please watch for more details. We look forward to another glorious school year full of growing and learning! As a department, we truly appreciate all the support you provide your children with as well as your support for us.

Please do not hesitate to call or email us with any concerns!

Queridas familias,

¡Estamos entusiasmados por el creciente entusiasmo de la mentalidad de crecimiento que nuestros estudiantes estarán explorando este año escolar!

Nuestro objetivo de mantener altas expectativas educativas para los estudiantes en todos los niveles de aprendizaje de idiomas, a través del fomento de la habilidad del pensamiento crítico, es un componente esencial de la mentalidad de crecimiento. En Clear Sky nuestros aprendices de idiomas provienen de contextos tan diversos, y nuestro pensamiento se extiende aún más. ¡Gracias por la oportunidad de ser parte del aprendizaje de idiomas de su hijo!

¡Comenzamos el año escolar conociendo a nuestros nuevos estudiantes y dando la bienvenida a los que regresan! Nuevos estudiantes de ESL está creciendo cada año, y estamos emocionados y ansiosos de proporcionarles el mayor apoyo que necesitan! A todos nuestros nuevos estudiantes se les dio una evaluación para colocarlos adecuadamente para su dominio del idioma. Las notificaciones de los padres fueron enviadas por correo tanto a los padres como al distrito para notificarles sobre las nuevas colocaciones de los estudiantes. Se fomentaron las entrevistas con los padres, ya que formaban parte de las calificaciones de los estudiantes para nuestro programa. Hablar un segundo idioma es un regalo, así que ¡vamos a trabajar juntos para alimentar este regalo!

¡La Sra. Green y yo también estamos emocionados de facilitar el programa Reading Together! Por favor, mire para más detalles.

¡Esperamos otro glorioso año escolar lleno de crecimiento y aprendizaje! Como departamento, apreciamos verdaderamente todo el apoyo que usted proporciona a sus hijos, así como su apoyo para nosotros.

Por favor, no dude en llamarnos o enviarnos un correo electrónico con cualquier inquietud!



Welcome Back Video

CSE Staff Back to School Video: To celebrate the beginning of the 18/19 school year CSE staff got together and recorded a music video for students:



https://drive.google.com/file/d/1IOcbZghZ0_V0sOMRsf5WvWqXMMUGUfAC/view?usp=sharing

News from the Bison Bistro

Remember the Bison Cafe is open for a delicious nutritious BREAKFAST everyday from 8:55 - 9:10 am. The cost is only \$1.85. Come enjoy breakfast with us.

Colorado Proud Day has been announced. It will be Wednesday, September 12 in the Bison Cafe. The menu will be all food grown and created here locally in the state of Colorado. The main dish will be Potato & Cheese Pierogi w/green chili dipping sauce. Harvest bar will have watermelon, peaches, grape tomatoes, romaine and baby carrots.

Save the Date!! Thanksgiving Feast will be celebrated on Wednesday, November 14th
Menu & times to come later
We hope to see you all at our feast.

Kitchen Assistant Position – CSE: Come be part of the DCSD Nutrition Services Team. Work while your kids are in school with a starting pay of \$11.25/hr. Most shifts are between 9am and 2pm Monday through Friday. Please contact Dawn Kidd at dawn.kidd@dcsdk12.org or apply online at <https://www.dcsdk12.org/careers>

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This year DCSD Nutrition Services is excited to partner with several local farms and companies to provide a delicious and unique school lunch to our elementary and middle school students.

Our entrée for Colorado Proud Day 2018 is Potato & Cheese Pierogies from the Pierogies Factory in Wheat Ridge, CO. Along with their local restaurant, you may have seen their food truck around Denver Metro events serving up these delicious Polish dumplings.

Our Harvest Bar will feature fresh produce from several local farms. We will have Palisade Peaches from Williams Orchard in Cedaredge, CO. This Western Slope family owned farm has been growing some of the best peaches in Colorado for over 100 years. Our Rocky Ford Watermelon comes from Hirakata Farms in Rocky Ford, CO which is another family farm that has been in Colorado for almost 100 years. Hirakata Farms is dedicated to environmentally sound agriculture practices that can benefit future generations. We will also feature fresh Romaine Lettuce from Petrocco Farms in Brighton, CO. After moving the family farm from Wyoming to Colorado, the farm has grown into a local and nationally renowned business.

Although all of our elementary and middle schools will be enjoying this special menu, we have chosen Clear Sky Elementary School for our main event. We will present information regarding Colorado agriculture to students and our Nutrition Services staff and Cezary Grosfeld, owner of the Pierogies Factory will be serving students during lunch. Parents, district leadership and community members are invited to attend this exciting food adventure.

My School Bucks

The 2018-19 school year began with a switch to a new payment system district-wide. **My School Bucks** is now for all payments not just school lunch accounts. With such a big change there have been some glitches but the district is reporting that many of the issues have been resolved. Here are a few items that we are seeing at Clear Sky:

*All CSE field trips will now be entered into My School Bucks which allows us the ability to both pay fees and complete the permission forms online.

(Note for Families with Free & Reduced Lunch approval: you should see a \$0 fee for all cse field trips. If not, please contact susan.babineau@dcsdk12.org to fix)

*Outstanding past year school fees have migrated to My School Bucks. At this time MSB does not show the school year attached to a specific fee but that should be changed with an update in October.

*If you don't already have an account go to www.myschoolbucks.com and create one today. After you create your account you will need to add your student(s) and then choose either Lunch or School Store depending on the item you want to see.

*Optional Recorder/Recorder Book fees for students in Grades 4th – 6th are now in My School Bucks. If you have a 4th- 6th grader who needs a recorder and/or book please go to My School Bucks and choose your student to see this optional fee.

Questions about My School Bucks and CSE student fees may be directed to susan.snider@dcsdk12.org or you can contact the My School Bucks parent hotline at 1-855-832-5226 x 2048.

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Latest My School Bucks Parent Update from DCSD:

Dear DCSD Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to the 2018-19 school year. We hope the new year is off to a great start for you and your family. As part of the Express Check-In process, Douglas County School District transitioned all required and optional fees over to one payment system, called **MySchoolBucks**. If you previously paid for school lunches, then you are already familiar with this system. If not, a link to a reference guide is below in this document. As we make this transition to **MySchoolBucks**, we have run into a couple of challenges that we want to bring to your attention.

Free and Reduced Lunch Fees

If your student qualifies for Free or Reduced lunch, fees that would normally be waived may appear as a balance due in **MySchoolBucks**. We are currently working to get this resolved. **In the meantime, please ignore any balance due.** These fees will be removed from your account within the coming weeks.

Processing of Partial Payments

Some families have reported that they are unable to make partial payments via **MySchoolBucks**. We are working with the vendor to get this corrected. We hope to have this glitch fixed by the end of August. **We ask that you wait to pay these fees until September.** The same applies to partial refunds, we expect that to be fixed next week and we will process partial credits quickly.

Preschool Fees

There has been some confusion regarding whether or not preschool tuition fees can be paid via **MySchoolBucks**. At this time, this system is only available to families with students enrolled in grades K-12. **If you need to pay preschool-related fees, please contact your preschool directly, or call our preschool information line at 720-433-0025.**

Review of Cart at Check-out

It is taking several seconds for the system to add your optional store selections to the cart. If you click the item while it is still processing, there is a chance you will have more than one of the same item in your cart. **Please review your cart before making payment so you do not unintentionally pay for something more than once.** We are working diligently to fix these issues as quickly as they are identified and apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused. It is our goal to have any glitches corrected by the end of August. If issues are not resolved within that timeframe, we will follow up with additional information.

We do believe that transitioning to **MySchoolBucks** will be a positive change that will make paying student fees much more convenient for our families. Thank you for your feedback and patience as work to make this new system as seamless as possible.

Respectfully,
DCSD Finance Department

Link to **MySchoolBucks** Payment System - <https://www.myschoolbucks.com/ver2/login/getmain?requestAction=home>

Quick Reference for **MySchoolBucks** Payment System
<https://goo.gl/Qi12ob>

For **MySchoolBucks** payment processing system help, please call the **MySchoolBucks** parent support line at 1-855-832-5226 x2048.

Severe Weather

Severe Weather - Delayed Dismissal

As we all know from living in Colorado, the weather frequently takes a turn for the worse at about 3 p.m.! Clear Sky Elementary will not allow students to leave the building if there is a threat of severe weather. Clear Sky's definition of severe weather is lightning, thunder, torrential rains, notification of a tornado warning or when the district due to inclement conditions closes school early. In the case of severe weather, the following will occur:

1. A red flag will be hung IF IT IS SAFE on the flagpole to indicate a lightning dismissal
 2. A phone call and text message will be sent close to 4:00 indicating that there will be a lightning dismissal
 3. Bus students and Daycare students will wait in the gym until it is safe for them to walk to their buses
 4. Walkers and kiss-n-go students will wait in their classrooms until someone comes to pick them up and signs them out. Please notify the school or teacher if someone other than the parent will be signing out your child.
 5. Remaining walkers will be dismissed to walk when it is deemed safe.
 6. A follow up phone call and text message will be sent indicating when we have released students.
- We encourage you to sign up for text messaging as it is an effective way to receive information in a timely manner.

Thank you for a great start to the year. As always, if you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to contact me!

Kellie Roe, Principal

DCSD College Funding Help

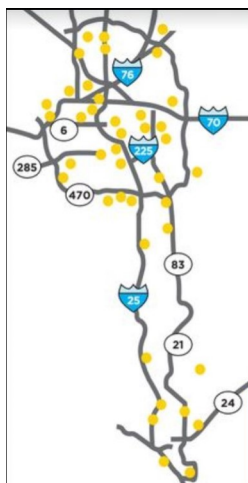
Dear Castle Rock and Surrounding Area Families,

I am so excited to announce that Castle Rock Middle School is hosting the College Funding Coach on September 25th from 6:00-7:30 pm.

This event is for any family wanting to learn how to pay for college (Preschool - High School). The College Funding Coach was founded in 2002 to help families better understand the complexities of paying for college and make higher education more affordable. Since that time, The College Funding Coach team have been on a mission to help families save on the high cost of higher education. The College Funding Coach's founder, Brock Jolly, realized that most families want to help pay for their children's education; but they often lack the liquidity and/or the cash flow to be able to do so. The College Funding Coach has established an approach that helps parents understand the college funding process, reduce their out-of-pocket expenses, and balance the challenge of saving for college and retirement simultaneously.

This is a free educational event. Please register by clicking [HERE](#) or on the flyer on the next page.

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September 25th
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Little-Known Secrets of Paying for College

For many families, the high cost of higher education is a daunting proposition. Parents lie awake at night trying to figure out how to afford sending their children to college and still have enough of their hard earned money to be able to retire one day. Some families have children attending college next year and others have 12 years to plan; but the fears of tackling these monumental and rising costs are the same. The College Funding Coach® is here to help families figure out HOW to pay for it!

Through our nationally renowned educational workshop learn how to send your kids to college without going broke!

- Strategies to attend private universities for the same out of pocket cost as in-state schools
- Effective ways to simultaneously save AND pay for college
- Unique strategies to pay for multiple children attending college at the same time
- An insider's view of the college admissions process
- How to recapture out of pocket college costs
- Avoid jeopardizing your retirement nest egg
- And much, much more!

Eventbrite

To RSVP, please [Click here](#) or visit our website at thecollegefundingcoach.org.

Parent Reviews:

"Excellent Class!" – John & Monica M.

"Highly informative!" – Bill & Renee M.

"The presentation was excellent; I was impressed as a counselor and a parent." – Patrick C.

"First seminar I attended that addressed all the issues of college funding & what to expect as parents." – Maria C.

"By my calculations, over the course of four years the evening we spent will save this family \$126,180." – John S.

Meet the Founder: Brock T. Jolly, CFP®, ChFC®, CLU®, CLTC, CASL®, CFPS®, is a Financial Advisor and regular educator in community and professional groups on college financing, tax reduction strategies, and retirement planning. His practice is dedicated to helping families implement creative long-term financial strategies to fund college and retirement with minimal out-of-pocket cost. Brock is a graduate of the University of Virginia. For additional questions, please feel free to call Brock at 703-424-2401.

Get to know our new CSE Staff for the 2018-19 school year:

Name	Position	Favorite Sports team	Favorite Dessert
KaLee Duggan	1st grade teacher	Green Bay Packers	Brownie with Vanilla ice cream
Suzanne Robinson	3rd grade teacher	Boston Red Sox	Frozen Yogurt
Emy Newman	4th grade teacher	Chicago Cubs	Chocolate Chip Cookies
Katie Hunt	6th grade teacher	Alabama & Avalanche	Cheesecake
Jessica Mandrioli	6th grade teacher	Broncos	Brownies
Rebecca Rolfson	6th grade teacher	Broncos	Raspberry Cheesecake
Beth Radakovich	Mod Needs Specialist	Chicago Bears	Anything chocolate or lemon
Connie Buechler	Kindie EA	Rockies	ice cream
Anna Rowland	Kindie EA	Rockies	Strawberry Cheesecake
Nettie Edson	EA	Chargers	Anything chocolate
Amy Block	EA	Miami Dolphins	Cheesecake
Garrett McCoy	EA	Oklahoma City Thunder	Skillet Chocolate Chip Cookies
Gina Ordunez	Pre-K teacher	DCHS Boys Basketball/NY Yankees	Cherry Cheesecake

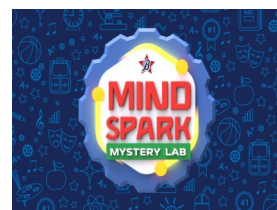


CLEAR SKY PTO

PTO Update | September 2018

Hello Clear Sky families! Welcome to another new, amazing school year! As we start this new year, the PTO (Parent-Teacher Organization) has already been busy and hard at work to support our students, teachers, and families of Clear Sky Elementary. The PTO strives to build a sense of community within and without the walls of the school, where teachers and students can thrive, and families can come together through school-sponsored activities and events.

PTO works hard to raise money for our teachers and students through various fundraisers, the biggest being our Boosterthon Fun Run. This year's Fun Run event is kicking off on **September 11th** and will close when the students run on Thursday, September 20th. Through this year's Mind Spark Mystery Lab, we hope your student will learn many character traits that will stay with them throughout this year. We expect this fundraiser to be a huge success, and we **THANK YOU** in advance for your support! Be on the lookout for announcements, run times and general information about our Fun Run.



Throughout this coming year the PTO plans to host various family events such as our yearly Fall Festival, Dodgeball night, Family Movie Night and Appreciation Breakfasts. We will also host Family Community night dinners at various restaurants around town. Our first family dinner held at Freddy's was a huge success. We are so appreciative of your support! We plan to hold the Holiday Shoppe, and of course to recognize and honor our amazing school staff during Staff Appreciation week in the spring.

So, how can we pull off all of these events? ONLY WITH YOUR HELP!! The PTO can only function well through the volunteer efforts of our generous Clear Sky families. Giving of your time through volunteer hours during events, or helping on a committee to plan the activities or fundraisers, are much-appreciated ways you can help and support the PTO, and thus Clear Sky as a whole. And even if you aren't able to volunteer for an event, please make sure to support and attend the events that are held throughout the year!



Friday, September 28th, from 5:30-8:30pm, at the school.

This yearly event will again be **FREE** to all Clear Sky families, as a thank-you for your support of the Boosterthon Fun Run. There will be carnival games, bounce houses, food trucks, Wacky Chaos Obstacle Course, electronic basketball, a vendor boutique, and more! Plan to attend now, and enjoy a fun night out with our Clear Sky community.

Vendors and volunteers are needed! If you are interested in being a vendor for this fun event, please email CSEPTOrewards@gmail.com. Stay tuned for a sign-up genius if you would like to sign up for a one hour time slot during the festival.



CLEAR SKY PTO

We encourage you to follow our CSE PTO in these ways:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ClearSkyElementaryPTO/>

Website: <http://www.csepto.com/>

Email blasts: Sent out each week by Susan Snider in the front office, these email blasts will contain information about upcoming PTO needs and planned activities



[The Bison Blog](#)

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Alone we can do so little;

together we can *do* so much.

— Helen Keller



Lunch Menu

[Click here](#) to access the lunch menu.

August 9, 2018- First Day of School!

