

CSCA Updates:

Our City Serve day where volunteers are coming to our school to help with projects is fast approaching. Please check the links below to see if you are able to join us while we work on planting, landscaping and other projects around the school! Any time spent helping goes towards volunteer hours!

Morning:

https://volunteer.cosiloveyou.com/communityservice/projectdetails/6407 65bb2218a7498b2345c8

Afternoon:

https://volunteer.cosiloveyou.com/communityservice/projectdetails/6407 65c42218a7498b2345c9

It's CMAS week!

Please remember to have your students get to bed early to get a full night's sleep and to eat a healthy breakfast. If you have any questions about testing please reach out to your student's teacher for more information and tips on how to make testing as successful as we can. There will not be homework sent home next week to help the students get a break as they will be testing in the morning and afternoons each day.

Pulsera Project will be taking place at CSCA from **April 17**th **to 28th during** *Lunch time in Class 199* (*Spanish classroom*) and after school we will have two stations, one in the *lobby in Elementary school building* and another *station in Middle School building*.

Check out this video for more information on the project.



Dear families of CSCA,

Over the next two weeks our school will be partnering with The Pulsera Project, a fair trade nonprofit organization that seeks to empower, inspire, and educate people in Central America and the U.S.

The Pulsera Project provides sustainable, well-paying work opportunities for artisans in Nicaragua and Guatemala, most of whom make colorful hand-woven bracelets, or "pulseras" in Spanish. The project then creates a market for their artwork by partnering with schools across the U.S.

Pulseras will be sold for \$7 here in our school, and the proceeds will be invested in a wide range of social impact programs in Nicaragua & Guatemala, including:

- *Sustained employment for nearly 200 artists
- *Secondary education programs
- * University scholarships for artisans and their families
- *Healthcare for artisans and their families
- *A housing program for artisans and their families
- *Environmental initiatives
- *Support for other social enterprises doing impactful work in these countries

We hope this will be a highlight of the school year as students engage with the beauty of Latin American culture while lending support to these skilled artisans and their communities!

www.pulseraproject.org www.facebook.com/pulseraproject

Support our school and a non-profit organization. Colorado Native Plant Society is holding a plant sale of native plants. We would be honored if you ordered some plants for us to pick up and plant here at our school! Most plants are only \$8.00 so even if you purchase one it would be a great

help! https://conps.org/23plantsaleperennialflowers/ Please put in order notes "Colorado Springs Charter Academy to pick up".



Hello from PPLD!

Let's work together to combat <u>summer slide</u>! PPLD can help by providing our free Reading and Activity Game for ages 0–18: Summer Adventure Presented by Children's Hospital Colorado. Registration for Summer Adventure begins June 1. Find more information at ppld.org/summer-adventure.

What is Summer Adventure?

Summer Adventure encourages kids to read, move, and imagine all summer long, focusing on building or maintaining healthy habits. Kids get a free book for signing up starting June 1, and then another prize after reading, moving, or imagining for 30 days! There are also a wide variety of free programs,

activities, and more at PPLD libraries all summer to encourage learning and the love of reading.

I would be happy to set a time to share this information with your students and will deliver any flyers and posters already requested by your school this month. In the meantime, I've attached a sample of our flyer and also, here is a promotional video you can share with your students.

Did you know?

PPLD also provides many <u>reading lists</u> for finding good reads for kids. If there is a particular book you would like your students to read this summer, contact me and I will arrange to get more copies if possible.

Reminders/Updates:

- Please make sure students have uniform polos under their hoodies, CMAS testing is coming up and hoodies are not allowed to be worn while the test is taking place. Students who are not wearing uniform shirts under their hoodies will be marked for uniform violations.
- PTO elections are underway, if you or someone you know would like to run for one of the open positions (President, Vice President, or Secretary) please email adavis.CSCAPTO@gmail.com with your name and the position you would like to run for. Without these positions filled, we will NOT be able to have an active PTO next school year!! That means no carnival, no holiday shop, no fundraisers, and more for the school.
- King Soopers App has a Community Rewards feature that will reward local organizations financially with every purchase you make at King Soopers using your Sooper Card (or App).

To register for this reward program is sooper ((3)) simple:

- o Go to King Sooper App on your phone.
- Click on the 3 parallel lines in the upper right hand screen (like lines of a list)
- o Click on 'Rewards" it's the third icon from the top

- Click "Community Rewards"
- Type in Colorado Springs Charter Academy as the enrollment recipient for these funds.
- Confirm
- CSCA starts getting money!
- Athletics <u>fundraiser!</u> We are hoping to get new uniforms for all of our teams and work on funding to add new sports next school year!

Many of you already know about the construction on Academy, we wanted to share this notice with you for anyone who wants to attend the meeting for more information. Be prepared to add an extra 10-15 mins to your commute if you use this route to get to school!



CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

North Academy Corridor Water Valves Project

Utilities Work Starting Soon

Project Overview

Colorado Springs Utilities must install water valves on large underground pipelines at several intersections along North Academy Boulevard. The work will increase water system reliability and prevent unplanned outages. The work will be done in phases.

- <u>Phase one</u> begins in late April for one month at the Maizeland Road, North Carefree Circle, and Austin Bluffs Parkway intersections. Work will be done at the same time. A water outage is planned for May 2, 3, 4. Specific customers will be notified.
- Phase two is scheduled for the Spring of 2024 at the intersection of North Academy Boulevard and Austin Bluffs Parkway to complete the work.

Open House

The public is invited to attend an open house from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 11, at Rocky Mountain Calvary Church, 4285 N. Academy Blvd. Springs Utilities staff and others will be there to answer questions and discuss details of the project.

Traffic Impacts

During construction, delays, detours, and intersection closures are expected. Access to homes and businesses will remain open. If you need special access, please call the number below. Springs Utilities encourages commuters to take alternate routes to avoid construction work and to slow down for the safety of workers and the public.

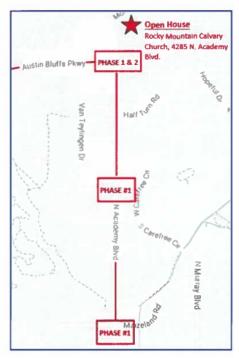
Water Outages

Planned water outages are expected and may last up to three days. Customers will be notified in advance of planned water outages. However, unexpected water outages can occur without prior notice. Please consider postponing high water use such as washing machines, dishwashers, and landscape watering during the outages.

Contact Information

Carrie @ 719-930-7528 or Kyle @ 719-668-8126

We appreciate your patience and understanding.



Important Dates:

April 10-14: CMAS testing

April 13: PTO Meeting 6:30 pm computer lab

April 14: Uniform Exchange 2-3 pm

April 15: Track Meet 9 am @ Vanguard

April 18: Dinner Night Chipotle 4-8 pm Citadel Crossing

April 13: Board Meeting 6:30 pm

April 21: Staff Luncheon

April 22: Volleyball Open Gym 9 am-12 pm

April 29: Track Meet 9 am @ Banning Lewis

May 6: Track Meet 9 am @ Atlas Prep

May 8 -12: Staff Week

May 10: Skate City Night 6-8 pm

May 11: PTO Meeting 6:30 pm

May 12: Uniform Exchange 2-3 pm

May 12: Field Day

May 13: Track Meet 9 am @ James Irwin Championship

May 16: Dinner Night Canes

May 17: 5th-8th Awards 2-3 pm

May 18: K-4th Awards 2-3pm

May 18: 8th Grade Graduation Noon dismissal for 8th grade only

May 26: LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

