

March 25th, 2022

Red Feather Lakes Elementary

Next Week's Schedule

- Mon 3/28 – STEM
- Tues 3/29 – P.E.
- Wed 3/30 – Art
Spelling Bee
- Thurs 3/31 – Life Skills
Environmental Science
- Fri 4/1 – Music



Looking Ahead

- 4/4 – CMAS begins
- 4/8 – National
Unicorn Day
- 4/15 – No School
- 4/28 – National Super
Hero Day

Starting April 4th CMAS Testing for 3rd – 5th Grade

This spring PSD will administer statewide assessments for 3rd-5th grades (CMAS testing). Testing begins 4/4. Please check your email for additional information.



Life at RFLE



Congratulations Kya!

Kya received the 2021/2022 Super Art Award and was recognized in a special ceremony at the District office with art teacher Ms. West and Superintendent Kingsley! Awesome job, Kya!

Join the RFLE Team!

We are hiring for a part-time custodial position. Please call Mrs. Richardson if interested!



Yearbook Cover Contest!

A Long-Standing Red Feather Tradition

Design the yearbook cover! Draw, color, design the yearbook cover at home and submit it to the contest by 4/4. We will vote on April 5th!

Contest Details:

All submissions must be drawn **vertically** on an **8.5" x 11"** piece of paper. Original work is required, no internet pictures, due to copyright rules.

You must incorporate the following 3 things in your drawing:

1. Our school mascot: **The Eagle**
2. The words: **Red Feather Lakes Elementary School**
3. The year: **2021-2022**

The rest is up to you!

All entries must be received by your teacher or Mrs. Richardson no later than **Monday, April 4th**

Have fun and good luck!



March 24, 2022



Dear 3rd – 5th Grade Families,

I would like to take a moment to talk about the Colorado Measures of Academic Success (CMAS) testing. First, it is important to understand what CMAS is. It is a state test, created in collaboration with Colorado teachers and administered by the Colorado Department of Education (CDE). Our teachers use the information we discover, through CMAS, as one tool to help reflect on their teaching effectiveness and plan future lesson adjustments.

We are recommending that all students take the test, however parents may opt students out from CMAS testing. The opt out form is attached to this email and must be returned no later than Friday, April 1, 2022.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your student's teacher, any of our Mountain School secretaries, or myself. We would love to discuss CMAS with you and the importance it has in our ability to continue to provide an exceptional education for your student.

Mountain Schools Testing Schedule:

- April 4th, April 5th, April 6th - Monday thru Wednesday - 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. 4th – 5th graders
- April 11th, April 12th, April 13th - Monday thru Wednesday - 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. 3rd – 5th graders
- April 18th, April 19th, and April 20th - Monday – Wednesday - 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. 3rd – 5th graders

Please plan ahead. Refrain from making appointments during CMAS testing sessions. It is much easier for students to test in their regular classroom settings. Students who are absent during testing are required to make up the tests; we will need to pull them from classes during the week of April 25th to complete the tests.

Parent Information Sheets:

This fact sheet explains the assessments Colorado students will take in Spring 2022.

- [State Assessments Fact Sheet](#)

At a Glance 2021-22

This one-page fact sheet shows which state assessments students will take in spring 2022 based on grade level and the total time students in each grade will spend taking state tests.

- [State Assessments at a Glance](#)

Thank you for supporting the Mountain Schools and public education.

Principal Tom Schachet
Poudre School District
Mountain Schools Principal
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Interacted with a PSD school resource officer?

Tell us about your experience.

As part of Poudre School District's commitment to ongoing evaluation of its **School Resource Officer (SRO) Program**, the district has an online form that students, staff, families and community members can use to share feedback about their interactions with School Resource Officers.



SCAN ME

or go to bit.ly/PSDSROfeedback

More info at: www.psdschools.org/schools/school-resource-officer-program

About PSD's new School Resource Officer feedback form

As part of Poudre School District's commitment to ongoing evaluation of its School Resource Officer (SRO) Program, the district created a new online form that students, staff, families and community members can use to share feedback about their interactions with School Resource Officers.

The form is [available here](#). Completing it is voluntary. The form is [available here](#). Completing it is voluntary. For those completing a form, the more information you share, the more helpful it will be for our teams. [More information >>](#)



STEM-X Presents

LEARNING TOGETHER WORKSHOPS

Saturday April 2, 2022 9am-1pm

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WORKSHOPS

ECO EXPLORERS

See, feel, and hear science in our local ecosystem. You and your accompanying adult will immerse yourselves in nature through observation, stories, games, and creativity.

Cost: \$50 (for student + adult)

Grade Levels: 1-5

Fossil Ridge High School

Candy Lab

Do you enjoy science experiments AND sweet treats? In Candy Lab, you and your accompanying adult will explore chemistry concepts as well as make different types of candy.

Cost: \$50 (for student + adult)

Grade Levels: 3-5

Fossil Ridge High School



MIDDLE SCHOOL WORKSHOPS

This is Rocket Science!

Do you just love building really, really fast things? This workshop is for you! Come learn how to build and launch your own rocket with your accompanying adult. (Rocket launch weather permitting.)

Cost: \$65 (for student + adult)

Grade Levels: 6-8

Fossil Ridge High School

Shine Your Light

You and your accompanying adult will work together to create a table lamp with a CNC Plasma cut base and wood body. You will also learn basic electrical wiring.

Cost: \$65 (for student + adult)

Grade Levels: 6-10

Fossil Ridge High School

Engineering Brightness

In this workshop, you and your accompanying adult will design a safe, hand held, 3D printed, sustainable lantern.

Cost: \$65 (for student + adult)

Grade Levels: 6-10

Preston Middle School



All workshops require students to be accompanied by an adult.
Snacks will be provided.



Register online: STEM-X.ORG

Open to ALL students from any public, private, or international school.



MENTAL HEALTH MATTERS

APRIL 7, 2022
6pm-7:30pm
Virtually

Live Key Note Speaker:
Jessica Pfeiffer, LCSW, SSW, and
ChildTrauma Academy Education Fellow

Prioritizing Social Emotional Learning
to Promote Learning
PLUS additional pre-recorded
presentations

For more information and to RSVP
please use the QR code below



K-12 EVENT
DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY WIDE

YOU ARE NOT ALONE.





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ACTIVE MODES PLAN



The City of Fort Collins is currently developing an Active Modes Plan, which will combine and update the City's 2011 Pedestrian Plan and 2014 Bicycle Plan. The City is looking for community feedback on our draft bikeway network, programming recommendations, and our ideas for prioritizing projects to make biking and walking safer and easier. [Click here](#) to take our brief survey and add your comments to our online map. **Our survey and map are open until the end of March 2022.** For more information, visit the project website at fcgov.com/WalkBikePlan.



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ACTIVE MODES PLAN



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2022 SPRING

Please note that spring protocols could shift, as PSD adapts to public health conditions and guidance.



Review PSD's 2021-22 protocols for [Health & Safety](#)



Info on [vaccinations, clinics](#) happening at PSD schools



Review PSD's [Test to Stay program details](#)

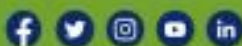


More information available [PSD's 2021-22 School Year and COVID-19 data](#)

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PSD COVID-19 protocols for spring 2022

Our school district follows guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) and Larimer County Department of Health and Environment (LCDHE).

PSD is a mask-friendly environment

We respect whatever choice staff, students and visitors make. The CDC continues to recommend that people wear the most protective mask they can that fits well and is worn consistently.

- Masks are no longer required on PSD buses or in PSD preschool classrooms, following updated CDC guidelines.
- Individuals who are COVID-positive must wear a mask in school/at work on days 6-10, per public health requirements.
- Close contacts of positive individuals must wear a mask in school/at work on days 6-10 from their date of exposure, per public health requirements. More info: [cdc.gov](https://www.cdc.gov)



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Our layered approach to mitigation

PSD follows these recommended strategies to reduce the spread of contagious diseases:

- Stay home if you aren't feeling well and follow the state health department's ["How Sick is Too Sick?" protocols](#).
- Maximize social distancing between members of different households, as possible.
- [Contact trace](#) when there are outbreaks

and as otherwise required by the health department.

- [Frequently clean and disinfect](#) of our facilities, with a focus on high-traffic areas.
- Promote frequent [handwashing](#).
- Make free COVID tests available, including through the [Test to Stay in PSD program](#).
- Promote accessibility of [voluntary COVID vaccines](#) through state-run mobile clinics.

More info: [psdschools.org/psd2021-22/healthsafety](https://www.psdschools.org/psd2021-22/healthsafety)

PSD COVID-19 protocols for spring 2022

Public health officials have shifted from a pandemic to a [more routine disease-control approach](#). This more closely resembles how schools have historically responded to contagious diseases like whooping cough and influenza. For all protocols, please visit the [Health and Safety web page](#).



What happens when there are COVID cases in PSD?

Contact tracing will occur:

- In a preschool classroom that reaches "cluster" status, or three to five cases.
- For classrooms/cohorts/activities/teams that reach "outbreak" status, or five or more cases.

Parents/guardians can expect to receive communications at both points. Notifications are not sent for one case.

The PSD data dashboard is at psdschools.org/psd2020-21/COVID19schoolstatus. PSD works with the health

department on contact tracing investigations to identify close contacts who must quarantine if they are not exempted.

LCDHE issues legal isolation and quarantine orders.



How to be exempted from quarantine if you are a close contact

If staff or students are identified as close contacts of a COVID-positive individual and receive quarantine orders from the health department, there are three options for them to remain at school or work. [More info >>](#)

Option 1:

Be fully vaccinated with a primary series and boosted, if eligible.

Option 2

Follow all steps of the [Test to Stay in PSD program](#).

Option 3

Have record of a confirmed positive COVID test in the last 90 days.



Test to Stay in PSD

Test to Stay in PSD provides a separate option for students and staff to be exempted from quarantine, which means being able to teach, work and learn in school more often.

Step 1: Opt into CDPHE's [Test to Stay program](#).

Step 2: Get free at-home rapid tests from your school.

Step 3: Staff members and students identified as close contacts must test on days 1 and 5, after their date of exposure.

Step 4: Email copy of negative test results or a photo of a rapid, at-home tests (with date/time of result and name/student or employee ID) to covidtracing@psdschools.org

Step 5: Stay at school if asymptomatic and with a negative test result.

Step 6: Request additional tests from your school health office if you have used yours.

More info: psdschools.org/your-district/test-to-stay-PSD



What happens if my student has illness symptoms?

Have any of the symptoms below?

You need a negative COVID test to return to school.

When not related to a documented chronic health condition, symptoms that require a negative test to return to school include fever, feeling feverish, shortness of breath, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, cough, sore throat, runny nose, congestion, muscle/body aches, headache, fatigue, new loss of sense of taste or smell.

If your student tests positive or chooses not to test, they must remain home for five days and wear a mask on days 6 to 10 when they return, per public health requirements.

More info: ["How Sick is Too Sick?" protocols >>](#)