

Wheeling Elementary School

News and Views

"A Community of Learners"

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Inquirers Thinkers Communicators Risk Takers Knowledgeable Principled Caring Open-minded Well-balanced Reflective

The end of the year always seems to sneak up on us. It's hard to believe the end of the year is here. It has been a good year at Wheeling, and we have much to celebrate. In December Wheeling became the first authorized International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program in Aurora Public Schools. We continue to work with students on developing the traits in the IB Learner Profile: Inquirer, Thinker, Communicator, Risk Taker, Knowledgeable, Principled, Caring, Open-minded, Balanced, and Reflective.

Teachers continue to develop their Units of Inquiry. We know what when children build understanding through inquiry, they develop skills and motivation to become life-long learners. Remember to ask your student(s), "What good questions did you ask today?"

Other celebrations include our International Night that was April 29. We had over 500 people participate in this event. Students showcased their work, and performances were held by all grade levels. A special thanks goes to Mr. Kilmeyer and all our teachers for putting this successful event together.

Events for the remainder of the year include:

Baskin Robbins fund raiser – come support Wheeling. The Wheeling staff will serve ice cream at Baskin Robbins on Havana and Mississippi from 6-8pm on May 6, 2010.

Sonic Yearbook Signing Event –

Kindergarten graduation: Wednesday, May 19, 2010
5th grade continuation: Thursday, May 20, 2010 at 12:30 pm

Field Day: May 12 – WE STILL NEED VOLUNTEERS. Please contact Chris Graves at 303-344-8670 if you can help.

First Day of School for 2010-11 school year: August 4, 2010.

Supply lists will be on our website and available in the office by May 20, 2010.

I would like to close out my message by reminding all families how important it is for students to keep up their skills over the summer. Please read with your student each day. Also give them the opportunity to do mathematical thinking by asking questions. Have them practice their addition, subtraction, multiplication and division facts as well.

Have a safe and restful summer.

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Activities for the Month of May

Tuesday, May 4th	5th Grade Orientation at Aurora Hills Middle School 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Thursday, May 6th	Baskin Robbins Fundraise 6pm - 8pm
Saturday, May 8th	Wheeling's Yard Sale 8am - 12 pm
Tuesday, May 11th	CPIRC - Getting Ready for Kindergarten 8:00 am - 9:30 pm
Wednesday, May 12th	CICI'S Pizza Night
Wednesday, May 12th	Field Day
Thursday, May 13th	PBS Assemblies
Friday, May 14th	Teacher Inservice - NO CLASSES K-12
Monday, May 17th	Academic Awards Assembly
Wednesday, May 19th	Kindergarten Graduation
Thursday, May 20th	Last Day of School and Last Day of Term 4 5th Grade Continuation
Friday, May 21st	Teacher Workday - NO CLASSES K-12
Monday, May 24th	5th Block Teacher Workday
Tuesday, May 25th	5th Block Begins
Monday, May 31st	Memorial Day- No Classes K-12
Friday, June 25th	5th Block ends



IMPORTANT FUTURE DATES: 2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR

Saturday, July 31st	BACK TO SCHOOL KICK OFF
Wednesday, August 4th	First Day of School - Grades 1st thru 5th only
Wednesday, August 11th	First Day of School for Kindergarten
Thursday, August 12th	Wheeling Back to School Night



School Nurse Notes:

Safe bike riding and In-line skating:

Broken bones will mend,
Torn skin will heal,
But the brain is fragile
And the damage real.

A quote for HEAD STRONG, a coalition for the prevention of traumatic brain injury. The brain IS fragile and damage to it is permanent.

Children ride bikes and do in-line skating every day, fall, get minor scratches and quickly get back up. HOWEVER, each year over half a million people are injured and require emergency room treatment from injuries.

PREVENTION of injuries requires wearing protective equipment. Don't let your children ride a bike or skate without recommended safety equipment.

Talk about the importance of using safety equipment. If they start using protective equipment early, it will seem very natural and continue doing so in later year.

HAVE A SAFE AND FUN SUMMER BIKE RIDING AND SKATING!

10 TIPS FOR SAFE BICYCLING FROM COLORADO SAFE KIDS:

1. On every ride wear a helmet, which is certified by SNELL, ANSI or ASTM.
2. See and be seen. Wear bright colored clothing
3. Avoid riding at night. Use a bike light and have reflectors on the bike and your clothes.
4. Pay attention to the road or path. Rocks, tree limbs, animals and other drivers may be hazardous.
5. Ride with traffic in a single file. It is dangerous to ride against traffic.
6. Ride defensively and ALWAYS be aware of traffic even on quiet streets.
7. Learn the rules of the road and obey all traffic laws.
8. Keep your bike in good condition. Check brakes and tire pressure frequently.
9. Ride a bike that fits your height. When in the saddle your feet should comfortably touch the ground.
10. If your bike has quick release wheels make sure they are secure before the ride.

If you would like further information about CSKC call 303-692-2585.

Preschool Screening

Aurora Public Schools is screening preschool age students for the 2010-11 school year. To be eligible for preschool, children must be 3 or 4 years old on or before October 1, 2010.

In addition to screening students for the state-funded Colorado Preschool Program, APS will be offering tuition-based preschool on a limited basis at the Vista PEAK Campus and Murphy Creek K-8. Parents must complete the preschool screening process to be eligible for tuition-based preschool.

Screenings will be held:

May 14
8 a.m.-3 p.m., Murphy Creek K-8,
1400 S. Old Tom Morris Rd. 80018

Children do not need to be present during the screening. For more information about preschool screening, including a list of required documents to bring, call the APS Early Childhood Education Department at 303-364-9371 or visit www.aps.k12.co.us/ece.

Title 1 Schools Annual Parent Meeting

You will have the opportunity to share information about districts Title 1 budget and new projects for the school district.

When: Wednesday, May 12, 2010

Place: South Middle School 12310 E. Parkview Dr.
Aurora, CO 80011
(Just south of 6th Ave. and east of
Del Mar Circle)

Time: Dinner served at 5:45pm
Meeting will start no later than 6:15pm,
earlier if possible....

Meeting: 6:15-7:30pm

Childcare will be provided.
Please indicate how many children you will bring when you make your reservations with your Family Liaison at 303-344-8670.



Learn English

Learn English at the Aurora Language Center.
Non-Credit Community English as a Second Language Classes
for adults (18+).



When? : Summer 2010
June 7 – July 29
Monday and Wednesday or
Tuesday and Thursday

Morning: 9:00 – 11:30 AM
Evening: 6:30 – 9:00pm

Where? : CCA CAMPUS DE LOWRY
North Quad (Building 901), Room 105
9202 E. Severn Place, Denver, CO 80230
(East Severn Place and Alton Way, near de 6th and Dayton)

How Much? : Levels 1 – 6 \$100.00
Cash or check only!
Payment – (nonrefundable) is due on registration day.
Fee includes computer classes!

REGISTRATION: **10:00 AM** on May 20, 22, 25 and June 2
6:00 PM on May 17, 19, 24, 25, 27,
June 1st and 2nd

Come to the Aurora Language Center to take a test, choose your class, and pay the fee.

***** DON'T BE LATE**

*Registration takes 2 hours

*NO children please

American Language & Culture

For Advanced ESL Students and Au Pairs

JUNE 8 – JULY 29

Tuesdays and Thursdays,

9:00 – 11:30 AM **OR** 6:30 - 9:00 PM

\$200.00 Register in ALC office by JUNE 3rd

Center for College Preparation

GED and Basic Skills Classes

*Improve Writing, Reading and Math skills

*Prepare for the GED test

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL
303-922-4683 OR VISIT ROOM 102**

English for Health Care Professionals at the Aurora Language Center

June 8th – July 29th

Mondays and Wednesdays, 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm

Cost: \$200.00 Register in ALC by June 3rd – Monday–Thursday from 9:00 am – 6:00 pm

This is a NON-CREDIT course and does NOT qualify for financial aid.

For more information contact: Stephanie Lawton, Program Coordinator

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