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From the Principal's Desk

Dear Superior Elementary Families,

I would like to welcome you all back to another great school year! As the new principal, I'm honored to be a part of the Superior Elementary School Community. I have had many opportunities to meet students and families in small settings and have really enjoyed getting a glimpse of what Superior Elementary School is all about, though I still look forward to meeting many, many more. First off, and I know I don't have to tell any of you this; SES is truly a special place! People care about people here. Whether my discussions have included details about special care that a student may need in order to be successful or if it included the care that staff share for one another, I have been so impressed! I feel very lucky to have been brought here!

During my first few weeks and over the next several months I will continue to listen, observe and meet with families to identify what works well and what things that although working, could be improved upon. I know the staff and our PTA will assist me in their roles and together we can forge ahead and build upon the success that is so obvious around here!

We have a few new staff members that have joined our professional learning community. We are so lucky to have Stephanie Kirby join our kindergarten staff. Stephanie will be teaching one of our morning kindergarten sessions and Erikka Gallegos will be teaching the afternoon kindergarten session. Susie Stricker has joined our office staff and Ed Rodriguez has joined our amazing custodial staff.

Our first event of the new school year will be our ***Back to School Night on August 31 from 6:30-7:55 p.m.*** Teachers will be describing their classroom schedules and curriculum during structured presentations. They will be available to answer general questions regarding expectations for learning, homework, grading and communications. Specialists will also describe their programs in the gym, library, music rooms and art room. Parents are asked to **not** bring children to these presentations, as teachers will prepare a great deal of information for parents this evening. However, if it means you cannot attend, you may bring your child and he/she must stay with you.

September 1st is our district-wide elementary assessment day for 1st through 5th grade students only. **1st through 5th grade students will report to school only at the time of their one hour scheduled assessment. Kindergarten students will NOT attend school on September 1st.** Each student will be individually assessed and will need to be signed up for a one hour time slot. Sign-up sheets will be posted outside of the office on Monday, August 22. Parents, please sign up each student for an individual time slot with their classroom teacher. It is important that your child is assessed on September 1 during their one hour time slot. More information will be provided next week with specific information regarding drop off and pick up procedures on this day.

As part of the Friday Folders that will go home today with your child, you will be receiving the Emergency Contact Form which needs to be completed and returned immediately.

The main vehicles that we will be using to convey information will be our school web page, the monthly Creekside Connection and the automated School Messenger System (you may update/add/remove your contact information for emails/phones/texts by going to the School Messenger icon located on the parent portal on the bvsd website or <https://contactme.schoolmessenger.com/index.php?u=boulder> .

Please sign up on PTO Manager to receive PTA information.

Again, I am so thrilled to be a part of the wonderful Superior Elementary School Community. I would like to thank Patrice Kinderman, Jerri Warkenthien, Marti Eurich and Susie Stricker for working so hard to get our office, clinic and website all up and running. These ladies are tremendous assets to have here!

If you have any comments, questions or concerns throughout the year, please don't hesitate to contact me Jennifer.Ikenouye@bvsd.org. On behalf of the amazing SES staff, I would like to wish all of you a wonderful school year and I am looking forward to meeting all of you and forming strong and positive partnerships.

Sincerely,

Jenn Ikenouye, Principal

School Notes



- **IMPORTANT!** Please read the *Student Rights and Responsibilities* Policy at the following link:
http://www.bvsd.org/studentrights/Documents/RightsResp_11-12web.pdf
 - Please sign the acknowledgement form that is in today's Friday folder and return the form in your child's Friday folder on Monday.
- Please also sign and return your child's **emergency card** that is in today's Friday folder.
- In order to receive all school email, phone messages, or text messages, you may update your contact information on **School Messenger** on the parent portal on the BVSD website (www.bvsd.org): <https://contactme.schoolmessenger.com/index.php?u=boulder>
- The Superior Elementary School **Family Handbook** is online on the SES website: <http://www.bvsd.org/schools/superior> . Also check this website for updates and school information.
- Make arrangements for after school activities and student pick-ups before sending your child to school and email teachers to inform them of such arrangements. The school office should be called only in emergency situations.
- Our before and afterschool care program is provided by the YMCA. For more information go to www.ymcabv.org

Important Dates



- August 22nd: Assessment Day sign-up sheets for 1st-5th grades posted outside the office.
- Picture Day is August 30th. Order forms will be in Friday folders.
- Assessment Day, September 1st : 1st through 5th grade only for your scheduled hour long assessment.
- Fourth grade field trip September 9th.
- Fall Fling is Sept. 16th from 4-8 p.m. See information below.
- **BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT** is August 31, 2011:
 - 6:30-6:55 p.m. Kindergarten and 1st Grade
 - 7:00-7:25 p.m. 2nd and 3rd Grade

- 7:30-7:55 p.m. 4th and 5th Grade
- Art and Library teachers will be in their classroom.
- Music and PE specialists will meet with parents in the gym during the following times:
 - 6:45-6:55 p.m. 2nd and 3rd Grade
 - 7:00-7:10 p.m. Kindergarten and 1st Grade
 - 7:15-7:25 p.m. 4th and 5th Grade

BVSD Lifelong Learning's Fall Classes and Camps for Kids

BVSD's Lifelong Learning Program offers after school classes for kids in the arts, outdoors and adventure, fencing, digital photography, video production, and science. For our science classes, we partner with Science Matters and for our photography and video classes, we partner with the YWCA. Besides after school classes, we offer fun and creative camps for kids ages 6-12 during school breaks and on no-school days. If you want to get a jump on planning for Thanksgiving Break, Winter Break and the November 11th No School Day, look for listings in our BVSD Lifelong Learning Kids catalog, sent home in your child's Friday folder (on August 26th or Sept. 2nd). **You can also see a complete listing of classes and camps by visiting our website, www.bvsd.org/LLL. For more information, call 720-561-3768.**

Class at Superior:

[Science Matters: Outback Expeditions Ages 6-9 Session C](#)

Monday

3:00 pm - 4:00 pm;

4 sessions starting November 7, 2011, ending December 5, 2011. No class on 11/21.

Tuition: \$95.00

BVSD Lifelong Learning

Phone Number: 720-561-3768

www.bvsd.org/LLL

**250 VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!!!**

FALL FLING

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 16TH

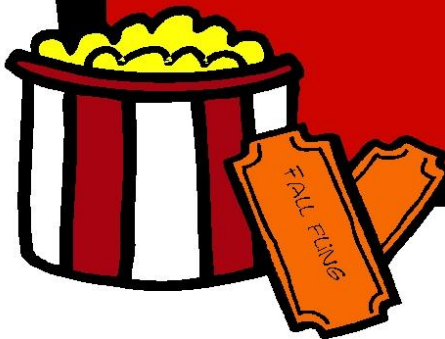
4-8PM

Calling all Volunteers!

**Watch for your PTO Manager invitation email
coming Monday to sign up to volunteer for this
year's Fall Fling!**

**The Fall Fling is our largest fundraiser of the school year.
The money raised supports our children's field trips,
technology upgrades, student council projects, curriculum
supplies, and much, much more.**

Come join the fun and support your school!



*** DUNK TANK * PIE TOSS *
* CAKE WALK * FOOD ***

Hello Parents,

The Fall Fling is approaching quickly and we are excited about another great Silent Auction at the Fall Fling. The Silent Auction is an important piece of the Fall Fling and allows Superior Elementary PTA to raise more money to support our children.

We need your help!

Do you have any auction items or services that you would like to donate? Any contacts that might be useful?

Ideas include:

- Tickets to events or games (CU Buffs, Broncos, Rapids, etc.)
- Vacation homes (weekend get away at your ski condo, etc.)
- Activities that your children participate in (gymnastics, tennis, hockey, etc.)
- Services (handyman, dogwalking, breadmaking)

If you have anything that you can donate please let us know. September 16th is approaching and we'd like your help to make this an amazing Fall Fling.

Please contact Kirsten Barnocky at iamkir1@msn.com or Susanne Vortlage at svortlage@msn.com