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The Weekly Newsletter of Horizons K8 School

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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

August 10-12	Staff Planning Days
August 12	UMS Event 11– Noon
August 13	Pre Labor Day Labor Day (All School Work Day) 1-5 PM
August 15	Grades 1-8 begin (parent coffee 8 30 AM)
August 15-16	K Assessments
August 17	K begins (parent coffee 830 AM)

BIG NEWS: The Horizons Council Meeting slated for August 18th is being postponed until August 25th!!!! There will be NO Council Meeting on August 18th, as originally planned and published. The Council Meeting will be on August 25th, details will be forthcoming.

PLAN AHEAD: Back-To-School Nights

August 30	K/1 & MS	6:30 PM
August 31	2/3 & 4/5	6:30 PM



Remember to bring back ALL the forms from your back to school packet. They are very important and we need them returned– thank you!!!

***COME ONE, COME ALL—TO THE 4th ANNUAL
HORIZONS PRE-LABOR DAY LABOR DAY WORK
DAY***



Saturday, August 13th' 1-5 PM

Join us as we beautify and organize our school environment. We will be working both inside and outside – bring sunscreen, water and tools. Your children are welcome to join you. We will be posting a list of jobs both in the school and by email so that you can prepare to help where you would like. We look forward to working and playing with you- and, we provide popsicles!

The Horizons K-8 School 2011-2012 Staff

Administrator (title pending) Sonny Zinn
Lead Teacher (title pending) Julie Cohen
Administrative Assistant Hope Nelson-Roohr

The K/1 Team

Jeanne Kipke Kindergarten
Beth Coleman Kindergarten
Wendy Thoresen 1st grade
Elizabeth Hershoff 1st grade
Sarah Holst Alternative Teacher License candidate Jeanne's class (AM)

Kindergarten Afternoon Enrichment

Karla Lankford
Judy Bohn

The 2/3 Team

Adam Brink
Aubrey Demmon
Lilly Hansing
Nichole Houser
Sarah Holst Alternative Teacher License candidate Aubrey's class (PM)

The 4/5 Team

Alicia Ernest
Nel Woller
Peter Hegelbach
Sally Warren
Sparrow Gabriel Alternative Teacher License candidate in Sally's class

The Middle School Team

Cece Schehl Language Arts, History, A & S
Gayle Nosal Community, Language Arts, History, A & S, Exploratories
Janice Cooper Community, Language Arts, History, A & S, Study Hall, Exploratories
Lynn Pence Community, Language Arts, History, Spanish, Study Hall, Exploratories
Jim Freund Community, Math, Science, Exploratories
Lance Leonard Community, Math, A & S, Exploratories
Carol Schwendener Community, Science, A & S, Exploratories
Pat Smalley Spanish, A & S, Exploratories
Sylvia Schneider Spanish
Jordan Long Student Teacher with Lynn (Spring semester)

Special Education

Dodi Jackson Middle School
Janice Iarussi K-5

Literacy Specialists

Karen Dimetrosky K-5
Kris Walton K-5
Dodi Jackson Middle School

Para Educators

K/1	Judy Bohn Karla Lankford DeeDee Rice Pam Geer
K Enrichment	Vanessa Gallegos Sharon Day Nicoleta Simon
2/3	Nicoleta Simon Leann Roberts Barb Rankin Quinn Falgowski Judy Florian Neil Thurman
4/5	Jenn Snare Leslie Dunlap Sally Holmes Quinn Falgowski
6/7/8	Judy Florian Leslie Dunlap Jenn Snare Barb Rankin Sally Holmes

Computer Lab

Visual Artist-in-Residence

Musical Artist in Residence

Arts & Sciences Coordinator

Head Custodian

Assistant Custodian

Technology Support

IT

Office Assistant/Webmaster

Bookkeeper

Payroll, Office Assistant

Social Worker

Before School & After School

School Psychologist

Occupational Therapist

Speech/Language

BVSD Nutrition Services

Mary Pat Judkins

Kara Priest

Ernie Hargett

Quinn Falgowski

D Carlson

TBD

Jim Freund

Mark Hamlyn, Daniel West (BVSD)

Kelly Wawrzynek

Joan Truesdale

Lori Papke

Nancy Wagner

Neil Thurman, Quinn Falgowski

Charlie Wright

Judy Klase

Carolyn Campbell

Tami Raffensperger, Susie Shannon

A note from our Food Services Director, Sarah Acker:

I'm pleased to let you know Tami Raffensperger and Susan Shannon will be returning to Hk8.

I will again be overseeing the meal service at HK8 so please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

We are all looking forward to getting the year off to a great start and we do have some delicious new additions to the menu!

HK8 will not have a breakfast program this year but if you'd like, we can provide a brown bag breakfast to your front office.

Thanks!

Sarah

Sarah Acker

BVSD Food Services District Manager

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As you can see from the above note, Horizons will NOT be offering a breakfast program like last year. However BVSD will have brown bag breakfasts that can be pre-ordered and picked up in the office by 8 AM. If you are interested in this or have questions, please contact Sarah Acker directly.

Message from BVSD about CSAP reporting error in Daily Camera

Dear BVSD Parents and Guardians,

Yesterday (8/3), the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) released Colorado Student Assessment Program (CSAP) data illustrating continued high achievement in the Boulder Valley School District, and higher than average year-to-year growth in writing and mathematics. Because BVSD is committed to providing you with accurate information about growth and achievement at your student's school, we are writing to let you know of an important set of corrections. Due to a **Camera** newspaper layout error in this morning's (8/4) print edition, school enrollment, achievement and growth data on pages 8A through 11A of today's **Camera** are reversed for BVSD elementary, middle and high schools. Columns of data corresponding to spring, 2011 are labeled 2010. Likewise, spring, 2010 data are labeled 2011. In addition, growth scores corresponding to math appear under writing. Writing growth appears under math.

The BVSD Planning and Assessment Office also notes that the **Camera** publishes school level growth data in place of grade level data. For example, growth data published under fourth grade reflect growth attained by fourth and fifth graders in total, not fourth grade alone. School growth medians are also published under third grade, even though growth cannot be assessed in third grade due to it being the first year of testing.

The CDE website provides a variety of ways to access CSAP results for your student's school. To see CSAP scores, please consider visiting the SchoolView Data Center at <http://www.schoolview.org/performance.asp> and clicking on the green arrow. Parents and guardians of 4th through 11th graders will be contacted later this month with directions on how to access CSAP scores for their students using the district website.

BVSD appreciates and thanks the **Camera** for their acknowledgment of this unintended error in the layout of this morning's print edition.

BVSD Communications

Brief article for August school newsletters regarding SchoolMessenger and Contact Manager

In January 2010, BVSD began using SchoolMessenger to send various communications from the district and schools to parents and staff. This includes attendance calls, meal account balance notices, emails from the superintendent, and emergency notifications.

A test “emergency” phone call and email will be sent out via SchoolMessenger to all BVSD Parents on Thursday, Sept. 29.

Your contact information as it appears in Infinite Campus is uploaded into the SchoolMessenger system every night, so it is very important that your information is correct in Infinite Campus. If it is not correct, please contact your school to have your information updated.

A nice feature of the SchoolMessenger system is that parents and staff can set their own preferences for which telephone numbers or email addresses are used depending on what sort of communication is being sent. You can also enter a cell phone number in order to receive text messages. This feature is called “Contact Manager.” BVSD Communications will email details to you about Contact Manager in early September OR you can learn more about it now in the parent section of the BVSD website at <http://www.bvdsd.org/parents/Pages/default.aspx>.