



Summit News

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The School Calendar	
March	April
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday, 11th, Board meeting, 6:30 p.m., Summit Library • Thursday, 12th, Annual Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Summit Library • Friday, 13th, 3rd quarter ends. • Sunday, 15th, Celebrate Summit, 5:30 – 8:00 p.m. • Monday, 23rd, Spring Break begins • Monday, 30th, School resumes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday, 1st, Board meeting, 6:30 p.m., Summit Library • Tuesday, 7th, Parent Education Night, time TBD • Wednesday, 8th, Board meeting, 6:30 p.m., Summit Library • Wednesday, 22nd, Board meeting, 6:30 p.m., Summit Library • Friday, 24th, Summit Day, NO SCHOOL
May	June
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday, 13th, Board meeting, 6:30 p.m., Summit Library • Friday, 15th, 1/2 Day, Professional Development Day • Monday, 25th, NO SCHOOL, Memorial Day • Wednesday, 27th, Board meeting, 6:30 p.m., Summit Library • Friday, 29th, Last day of school, 8th grade graduation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday, 3rd, Board meeting, 6:30 p.m., Summit Library
<p>* Conference and ½ Day Development Meetings Note: Summit students will be in class 8:00 – 12:15 p.m.</p>	

Celebrate Summit

There's still time to sign up for the first annual Summit Community Party, Sunday, March 15, 5:30 – 8:00 p.m.

With 150 reservations, *Celebrate Summit* promises to be the adult party of the year with fun for parents of current, former and new students, staff and faculty.

Hosted at the New Foundry, *Celebrate Summit* offers a wonderful evening of fun and community support. You can chat with friends new and old, enjoy great food, play pool, and win a Fat Tire Bike. If you like to bid, more than 50 fabulous and diverse items will be available in a silent auction, with all proceeds going to Summit Middle School. Many thanks go to the Shetter family for donating the New Foundry facility for the evening.

Tickets are \$20.00 per person, inclusive of ample hors d'oeuvres, one glass of wine, beer or soda and fun for all.

Don't miss out! Simply mail the RSVP card or the form located on page 3 of this newsletter, or drop it in the *Celebrate Summit* box in the school office. *Please make reservations by March 9.*

FYI

ANNUAL MEETING

Please come to Summit's Annual Community Meeting on Thursday, March 12th at 6:30 p.m. in the Summit library. This is an important chance for you to learn more about the state of the school and plans for the coming year. It is also your chance to meet the candidates for open board seats. We hope to see many of you!

Math Students Excel

Congratulations to our Math Students

Congratulations to Kyle Christensen and Albert Soh. Kyle tied for second place in the 8th grade UNC Math competition. Albert came first in the seventh grade section of the Math competition. Great job!

Summit MathCounts Rocks Boulder Chapter Competition

The Summit MathCounts team took first place at the Chapter Competition held on February 7 at the Seagate facilities in Longmont. The team will go on to compete at the state competition to be held on March 21 at Denver University.

In addition to taking first place honors as a team, Summit students took 6 of the top 7 spots in the individual competition. The individual results are as follows:

First: Albert Soh

Second: Jesse Zhang

Third: Kevin Chen

Fifth: Kyle Christensen

Sixth: Larry Zhang

Seventh: Jay Kranzdorf

Also qualifying to compete in the state competition and finishing 11th overall was Caitlyn Lee.

The entire MathCounts team would like to thank Silva Chang and alumni Ben Alpert, Chris Guthrie, Charles Xu, and Catherine Chen for their dedicated support throughout the year to the members of MathCounts.

Summit has placed 1st in the state competition for the last three years. Congratulations to the entire team and good luck at the state competition.

International Club News

We'd like to thank Mr. Chris Kilgore for his breathtaking presentation on Colombia. We were all fascinated by the rich culture and amazing beauty of the country.

Share your cultural knowledge!

If any of you in our Summit community would like to share your knowledge about a particular country, or if

you know who would, please contact one of our officers: Amber Richey, sparks2013@gmail.com, Sarah Walters, kiwisarah96@gmail.com or Lauren Kempton, 5k.laurenk@gmail.com You may also contact Mrs. Blakemore, wblakemore2@gmail.com.

Upcoming Events:

Lucky Lollypop Sale, week of St. Patrick's Day
Stream Team Clean Up, March – April
Adopt a Road Clean Up, April – May
Carnival – May

National History Day Continues...

Several Summiteers and Summit alumni will be participating in Regional History Day! The theme this year, "The Individual in History: Actions and Legacies" has sparked much creativity in our students. See below for details for Saturday:

Colorado History Day BVSD/St. Vrain Regional Competition

March 7, 2009

Front Range Community College, Boulder County Campus

Building C Entrance 4

2121 Miller Drive Longmont CO 80501

Event Schedule

7:30-8:30 a.m.	Student check-in and exhibit set-up
9:00 a.m.	Interviews begin for the Paper, Website, Performance and Documentary categories
9:00 a.m.	Judges review exhibits
10:00 a.m.	Interviews begin for the exhibit category
11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	Exhibit halls open for public viewing
1:00 p.m.	Final round results posted for categories requiring a final round

These results will be posted in the Commons area (near check-in)

- In the exhibit, paper, and website categories, students do not need to be present for the final round as there are no second round interviews and the final round judges can judge these categories without students being present. (Make certain process papers are still with your exhibit.)

4:00 p.m. Awards ceremony in the Commons area

**All exhibits should be picked up immediately after the awards ceremony.

The Campaign for Summit
Strong Bodies, Strong Minds

We are nearing the finish line in our Strong Bodies, Strong Minds campaign, with our gym's groundbreaking on May 28th. We have raised over 80% of the funds needed to proceed, with only 50% participation from our Summit community. We would love to see 100% participation from our Summit community, so that every student can play a role in building our new gym.

Thank you so much to our most recent donors:

Sauheung Tsui and Irwin Castelino
Alex and Varda Blum
Sanjay Dixit and Swati Deshpande
Jonathan and Kimberly Haines
Ron and Connie Harmon

Elaine Corey and Paul Balaguer
Felicity Wong and Steven Waltman
Mary Lippi
Wayne and Jackie Seltzer
Mike and Julie Scott

Celebrate Summit

We'll be there!

Number of Tickets _____ @ \$20 each

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone # _____

Email address _____

Method of payment

Check (enclosed) _____ Mastercard _____ Visa _____

CC # _____ exp _____

____ I will not be able to attend but I would like to Celebrate Summit with the enclosed donation.

Please RSVP by March 6th

Celebrate Summit

Please join past, present and future Summit parents,
staff and faculty at the

1st Annual Summit Community Party

Sunday, March 15th from 5:30 - 8:00 in the evening

The New Foundry

1109 Walnut Street
Boulder

Appetizers, Billiards & Silent Auction

All proceeds to benefit
Summit Middle School

\$20 Per Person

Includes appetizers and one glass of beer, wine or soda. Cash Bar available.

Colorado Casual Attire



*Meet new people,
chat with old friends,
have a good time &
support Summit!*

Summit News

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MISSION OF SUMMIT MIDDLE SCHOOL

- To provide a rigorous, academic curriculum that promotes high levels of student effort and academic achievement
- To foster high self-esteem through stimulating intellectual challenge and meaningful academic accomplishment
- To inspire in students a lifelong love of learning and a desire for self-development
- To create a community of peers who value scholarship, academic achievement, and creativity
- To serve as an excellent preparation for students intending to study in the International Baccalaureate program and other college-preparatory high school programs

ENROLLMENT IN SUMMIT

Summit Middle School is a tuition-free, public charter school in the Boulder Valley School District, serving grades 6, 7 and 8 through mixed-age classes grouped by ability, interest, motivation, developmental level, and mastery of previous material - taught by teachers who are specialists in their subject areas. Prospective students register through the District's open-enrollment process at the beginning of the calendar year. Please go to BVSD's Open Enrollment link for more information: <http://bvsd.org/openenrollment/Pages/default.aspx>

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