



 Douglas County School District

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Principal: Peter Mosby Assistant Principal: Julie Roach

## ROCK RIDGE REVIEW

October 2018



October 16th (6:00-7:00pm) – PTO Meeting

November 6th – No School  
Teacher Professional  
Development Day

November 13th (6:00-7:00pm) – PTO Meeting

November 19th- 23rd – No  
School- Thanksgiving  
Break

**Weather Closure**  
303-387-SNOW

**2018-2019**  
**School Calendar**

### **HOURS**

First Bell 8:30am  
School Begins 8:35am  
All Dismiss 3:30pm  
AM Kinder 8:30-11:15  
PM Kinder 12:45-3:30

## Note From Mr. Mosby, Principal . . .

Dear Rock Ridge Community:

I hope this letter finds you well as we approach Halloween and our annual Monster Mash/Haunted Maze celebration which will be held on October 26<sup>th</sup> from 5-7. You can also find this and other events on the [website calendar](#).



The Rock Ridge Run was a huge success! Students had a blast duck taping Mr. West and I as part of their reward for raising a specific amount for the fundraiser. Thank you, Mrs. Goodland, for having painter's coveralls to wear during the event. This was a huge improvement from two years ago when I forgot it was duct tape day and I showed up in shorts and a t-shirt. Ouch!

By the time this is released fall break will have come and gone. I hope everyone had a safe and restful week and are ready for the upcoming holiday excitement!

Finally, remember to check the district website, call the district weather line (303.387.SNOW) or check with local news for school closures. Keep in mind that school begins at 8:30am so please do not drop your children off (especially the young ones) before 8:20am. The school does not have supervision for lineup prior to this time and thus, you could be placing your child at unnecessary risk. This is especially true if your children are not dressed properly for inclement weather. Our students go outside for recess when the weather is above 20 degrees so please plan accordingly.



Have a safe and wonderful break.  
Sincerely,  
Peter Mosby, Principal



## October

### QUICK LINKS

[Book Club](#)

[Choir](#)

[Green Team](#)

[Spanish Club](#)

[Student Council](#)

[Student Lighthouse Team](#)

[Yearbook Club](#)

(Click on the Team/Club to go directly to their website)



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[Rock  
Ridge  
PTO](#)

October 8th-12th

**Fall Break**

October 15th (7:30-8:15am) – Minecraft Club

October 15th (7:30-8:20am) – Archery Club (4th & 5th grades)

October 15th (3:30-4:30pm) – Archery Club (6th-8th grades)

October 15th (3:30-4:00pm) – Green Team

October 16th (6:00-7:00pm) – **PTO Meeting**

October 17th (3:30-4:00pm) – Book Club

October 18th (3:45-4:15pm) – Spanish Club

October 19th (7:45-8:20am) – Choir Club

October 22nd (7:30-8:15am) – Minecraft Club

October 22nd (7:30-8:20am) – Archery Club (4th & 5th grades)

October 22nd (3:30-4:30pm) – Archery Club (6th-8th grades)

October 22nd (3:30-4:00pm) – Green Team

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## October

October 23rd (3:30-4:10pm) – Guardians of the Gadgets (grades 1-3)

October 24th (3:30-4:00pm) – Book Club

October 25th (3:30-4:10pm) – Guardians of the Gadgets (grades 4-6)

October 26th (7:45-8:20am) – Choir Club

October 26th (5:00-7:00pm) – Monster Mash

October 29th (7:30-8:15am) – Minecraft Club

October 29th (7:30-8:20am) – Archery Club (4th & 5th grades)

October 29th (3:30-4:30pm) – Archery Club (6th-8th grades)

October 29th (3:30-4:00pm) – Green Team

October 30th (6:00pm) – Choir Feeder Concert at Mesa Middle School

October 31st (3:30-4:00pm) – Book Club

## November

November 1st (3:45-4:15pm) – Spanish Club

November 2nd (7:45-8:20am) – Choir Club

November 5th (7:30-8:15am) – Minecraft Club

November 5th (7:30-8:20am) – Archery Club (4th & 5th grades)

November 5th (3:30-4:00pm) – Archery Club (6th-8th grades)

November 5th (3:30-4:00pm) – Green Team

November 6th – **No School**- Teacher Professional Development Day



## November

November 9th (7:45-8:20am) – Choir Club

November 7th (3:30-4:00pm) – Book Club

November 12th (7:30-8:15am) – Minecraft Club

November 12th (7:30-8:20am) – Archery Club (4th & 5th grades)

November 12th (3:30-4:00pm) – Archery Club (6th-8th grades)

November 12th (3:30-4:00pm) – Green Team

November 13th (3:45-4:45pm) – RRE School Accountability Meeting

**November 13th (6:00-7:00pm) – PTO Meeting**

November 14th (3:30-4:00pm) – Book Club

November 15th (3:45-4:15pm) – Spanish Club

November 16th (7:45-8:20am) – Choir Club

November 19th (7:30-8:15am) – Minecraft Club

**November 19th- 23rd – No School- Thanksgiving Break**

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A colorful illustration of a pumpkin festival scene with pumpkins, a tent, and people in the background.

## Celebrating our Students!

### Rock Ridge Run



The Rock Ridge Run was a huge success again this year! **We raised over \$28,000** and the students had a blast. A HUGE thank you to our PTO for hosting this event... especially Lydia Goodland, our PTO President. And thank you to all of the volunteers who helped! We could not have done it without you.

**2018 Fall  
Family Festival**  
**October: 6, 7, 13, 14,  
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## DC Feeder Gold Crown Tryouts



Gold Crown Tryouts will be held on Thursday, October 25th from 6pm-7:30pm in the main gym at Douglas County High School. This is for girls only in the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grade.

Please RSVP to Todd Dickson at [tdickson@dcsdk12.org](mailto:tdickson@dcsdk12.org) with your daughters name, current grade, school, email and phone number.

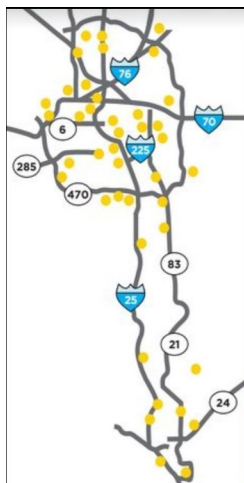
There is a \$5 cost for the tryouts to cover gym time.

Thanks,

DC Feeder Coaches



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## Douglas County Sheriff's Office Parent Academy

**Douglas County Sheriff's Office  
Presents Our FREE Parent Academy  
Changing the Digital Culture in Our Homes**



**Date:** October 16, 2018  
**Time:** Resource Fair 6-6:30pm  
 Academy 6:30-8:30pm  
**Location:** 9800 Schwab Way; Lone Tree CO 80124

Please park in the visitor lot and walk across the courtyard to the amenities building. There will be volunteers to help you find us.



*Own your tomorrow.*

Student homework, prior to parents attending this event, students must watch this video with their parents:

<https://tinyurl.com/YESSVIDEO>

**PLEASE RSVP:**  
<https://tinyurl.com/YESSParentOct2018>

You do not need to bring a printed ticket with you to the event but we need to have RSVP's so we know how many parents will be in attendance. This event is for parents and other adults concerned with the safety of the children you are responsible for.

**Some of the topics that will be covered:**

- ☐ Importance of creating a positive social media brand
- ☐ Developing balance & moderation with device usage
- ☐ Implementing emotional intelligence to the over-exposed & exploited
- ☐ Understanding the short/long term digital & social media consequences
- ☐ Providing tools & resources for parents

**Questions:** Y.E.S.S. Program Coordinator, Phyllis Harvey at [pharvey@dcsheriff.net](mailto:pharvey@dcsheriff.net) or Y.E.S.S. Instructor Jay Martin at [jmartin@dcsheriff.net](mailto:jmartin@dcsheriff.net)



## Guardians of the Gadgets

We will meet one Thursday per month. The schedule is posted on the school website under the student tab. We are very excited to meet everyone!

If you have any questions please reach out to Kia [Jeffords kjeffords@dcsdk12.org](mailto:Jeffords.kjeffords@dcsdk12.org) or Ioana Costas [Ioana.costas@dcsdk12.org](mailto:Ioana.costas@dcsdk12.org).

### Guardians of the Gadgets Schedule:

October 25th	7:45am in Library
November 29th	7:45am in Library
December 20th	7:45am in Library
January 24th	7:45am in Library
February 21st	7:45am in Library
March 28th	7:45am in Library
April 25th	7:45am in Library
May 16th	7:45am in Library

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## Box Tops



Congrats to Mrs. Bortot's class for winning the 6th grade class competition! Her class brought in 1,091 Box Tops! Altogether 6th grade brought in 1,537 equaling \$153.70!! **October is the month for 5th grade.**

Please have all box tops turned in by **Oct 31st** and remember to only send in non-expired Box Tops.



## Library opens at 8:20am!



Good news! In conjunction with our students being able to enter the school building at 8:20am in the morning, we will have the library open from that time. Students will be able to check out books and/or return their books before getting to their respective classrooms.



## PreK - 12 Colorado Teachers!

Apply for a Teachers and Technology Grant for the 2018 - 19 school year for your school

### Rock Ridge Elementary School

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## Make a difference, Volunteer!



If you are interested in volunteering in your child's classroom or would like to help with a school wide event, please contact Brittany Shiner at [bshiner@dcsdk12.org](mailto:bshiner@dcsdk12.org). Your precious gift of time provides much needed assistance to our amazing teachers and allows you to actively participate in our children's academic success. THANK YOU!

### Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities:

Vision & Hearing Screenings

Library

Fall Book Fair

Thanksgiving Lunch

**Keep in mind, you are always welcome to stop by and have lunch with your student(s)!**

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## B.A.S.E.

### Mission Statement

*Promoting the safety, well-being, and development of every child while partnering with schools and community to be the best choice for families.*

**Looking for childcare?** How about Douglas County's very own co-curriculum program B.A.S.E. (Before and After School Enterprise). Throughout the years, B.A.S.E. has provided children with a safe, learning, and friendly environment! B.A.S.E. is offered before school, after school, and all day (on specific days where students do not attend school). Children may pick from several different areas to enjoy their time including: the gym, playground, Tech Lab, and the Craft Club in the cafeteria. Homework Club is also available and encouraged!

Starting in the **2018-19** school year B.A.S.E. will also be beginning new clubs at the request of the children who currently attend! First up puzzle club! This will provide students in the morning the opportunity to collaborate with fellow B.A.S.E. students in truly testing their puzzle building skills!

Additionally, they will also be starting the year with a unit focused on acceptance of those around us, with an emphasis on anti-bullying. They will be creating a unity quilt in which they hope all B.A.S.E. students can create their own piece!

If you have any questions, or would just like some more information, please contact the new Program Manager Josh Schaner at [jschaner@dcsdk12.org](mailto:jschaner@dcsdk12.org) or Senior Program Leader Amanda Pierce at [arpierce@dcsdk12.org](mailto:arpierce@dcsdk12.org). Additional info can also be found on the **Rock Ridge BASE website**. For any immediate questions or concerns please call (303)549-7283.

Thank you all and welcome back to what we all hope will be a wonderful new year at Rock Ridge Elementary!



## International Baccalaureate

Each month we focus on an IB Learner Profile and **Caring** is our focus for the month of **October**.

Caring students show empathy, compassion, and respect towards the needs and feelings of others. They have a personal commitment to service and act to make a positive difference in the lives of others and to the environment.

As Anais Nin, the French-born American author of novels and short stories says, "Each friend represents a world in us, a world possibly not born until they arrive, and it is only by this meeting that a new world is born."

### How can parents help to develop students who are Caring at home?

- Model the caring behavior you would like to see in your child all the time. Your child has big eyes and ears and notices everything you do. Using kind words, helping people without being asked, and being an active listener, all show your child that you care about people. Even a simple thing, like holding a door for someone, shows your child that you are aware of others around you and want to help them.
- Think about how your family can get involved with community organizations.
- Reduce, Reuse & Recycle. Make the effort to establish these habits in your home. By developing children who care about the environment, you are helping the future of the globe.
- Smile.
- After reading a book, spend some time considering how the people in the book acted. Was someone in the book caring? All of the time or just some of the time? Were all of the characters in the book caring or just some of them? Some books to consider:
  - \* Lily's Purple Plastic Purse, Kevin Henkes
  - \* The Giving Tree, Shel Silverstein
  - \* Yertle the Turtle, Dr. Seuss
  - \* The Grouchy Ladybug, Eric Carle



## Watch D.O.G.S.

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