



# ROCK RIDGE ELEMENTARY

## ROCK RIDGE REVIEW

February 2020

**Peter Mosby**  
Principal

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Assistant Principal



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303-387-5152

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303-387-5150

**Weather Closure**  
303-387-SNOW

**2019-2020**  
**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

### *A Note From the Principal*

Dear Rock Ridge Community:

We just wrapped up DCHS's Feeder Wish Week for Emily, a 5-year old from Castle Rock diagnosed with a genetic disorder that has left her blind. Rock Ridge students, staff, and community raised \$850.90 for Emily's wish week, adding to the overall total of over \$47,000.00 that was raised by the entire DCHS feeder system. Thank you all so much for participating and helping his dream come true.



DCHS Dance Party during the assembly

The PTO Silent Auction Chili Cookoff Dinner (February 28th, 2020, 5:00-7:00pm) is quickly approaching and every year one of the items that we give away is a brand-new bow. This year we are auctioning of a Genesis competition bow, the same bow we use for the National Archery in the Schools Program tournament. Be sure to bid! (<https://www.32auctions.com/RREsilentauction>). Plan on joining us for a fun filled night with lots of cool stuff to bid on and an awesome fundraiser event.



February 2nd recently passed and supposedly the groundhog did not see his shadow.

Hard to believe with the weather we are having and all this snow. With the poor conditions the school district has had to call a "delayed start" for our school day. In case you have forgotten, when the district has a delayed start, Rock Ridge elementary will have first bell at 10:00am with doors opening at 9:50am. BASE will also be on a 90-minute delay and all morning activities are cancelled as is morning pre-school classes and ½ day am kindergarten classes. Breakfast will also not be served. Please be sure that your children are well bundled and are not dropped off or sent to school any earlier than 9:50am. If the weather was severe enough to result in a delayed start, then your child could be placed in jeopardy should you bring/send them to school any earlier.



Should you have any questions, concerns or celebrations, please feel free to contact me. I look forward to hearing from you as we set our eyes on Spring.

Sincerely,  
Peter Mosby, Principal

400 Heritage Avenue, Castle Rock, CO 80104



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## *Important Dates/ Mark Your Calendars*

February 12th (4:00-8:00pm)	Crave Spirit Night
February 14th	<b>No School – Teacher Professional Development Day</b>
February 17th	<b>No School</b>
February 18th	NASP Archery Tournament
February 20th (3:45-4:30pm)	Spanish Club
February 24th	NASP Archery Tournament makeups
February 25th (3:30-4:30pm)	Archery 6th-12th grades
February 26th (7:45-8:2am)	Donuts and Dodgeball with Dad
February 28th (5:00-7:00pm)	RRE PTO Silent Auction
March 2nd (7:45-8:20am)	Minecraft Club
March 2nd (3:30-4:30pm)	Archery 6th- 12th grades
March 3rd (3:30-4:30pm)	Archery 6th-12th grades
March 5th (1:45-3:15pm)	6th grade Exhibition
March 5th (3:45-4:30pm)	Spanish Club
March 9th (3:30-4:30pm)	Archery 6th-12th grades
March 10th (3:30-4:30pm)	Archery 6th-12th grades
March 10th (6:00-7:00pm)	PTO Meeting
March 11th (4:00-5:30pm)	PTO Ice Cream Social
March 11th (4:00-7:00pm)	Student Led Conferences
March 16th-20th	<b>No School- Spring Break</b>

## Celebrating Our Students

### Spelling Bee!



Congratulations to **Dennis Dasgupta**, RRE's Spelling Bee Winner, and **Ella Stancliffe**, our Runner up!

Dennis represented Rock Ridge in the District Spelling Bee earlier this month.



## Valentines for Senior Living Facilities in Castle Rock



Student Council officers will be delivering homemade Valentine's Day cards to the residents of two senior living facilities here in Castle Rock on Wednesday, February 12. All of the students at RRE made a card so that every resident would be sure to receive one.



**Gym: 6th-3rd grade-** We have started our in-class hockey tournament. Students have been placed into teams and are competing for our school championship in March.

**K-2nd grade-** We have started our soccer unit. Students are learning basic soccer skills like trapping, dribbling, passing, and scoring. GOOOOAAAAAALLLLLLL!

**Music:** Music class this month will explore “Where We Are In Place and Time” by learning about the Modern Composer, Sergei Prokofiev and watching Peter and The Wolf. **K-2** will be learning to recognize instrument sounds, **Grades 3-4** will be working on their Recorder Unit while **5th and 6th grades** continue Guitars and Pianos.

**Spanish:** In Spanish class, we are working on the transdisciplinary skills “How We Organize Ourselves”. Our focus is on the numbers in our environment. The emphasis is on telling time, the calendar, and reading 2-digit and 3-digit numbers.



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## The Box Tops Incentive Program

This month we are having an **all school competition for digital box tops**! Make sure you have downloaded the app and scan all your grocery receipts! In the app you can designate which class gets credit for the scan; **the class with the most digital box tops at the end of the month will receive a popcorn party!**

For more information about Box Tops for Education as well as instructions for downloading the app, go to: <https://www.boxtops4education.com/>.

thankyou



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## B.A.S.E.

Rock Ridge is proud to present the Rock Ridge Rockets Before and After School program (Rockets B.A.S.E. for short). This program provides a fun and relaxing way for your students to start, or end, their day on site here at Rock Ridge Elementary. Your kids have the opportunity to play gym games, participate in crafts and learn in a safe, professional environment right here in their own elementary school. Hours of operation daily are 6:30am-8:30am and 3:30pm-6:00pm.

B.A.S.E also provides full day care during breaks and school closures, for example we will be here for Fall Break from October 14th through the 18th. We will be visiting Anderson Farms, Adam's Mystery playhouse and taking your kids to see a movie! Days start as low as \$34 a day and they operate 6:30am - 6:00pm all break.

If think you may need care for your children, or have general questions, please visit them at the Rock Ridge B.A.S.E. Website. Or feel free to reach out to the program Manager Josh Schaner. He can be contacted at Jschaner@dcsdk12.org or 303-549-7283 with any inquiries! They look forward to hearing from you and hope you have a wonderful day!

## 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:

- Spring Book Fair
- We can always use an extra hand in the **Library!**

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



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## International Baccalaureate

Each month we focus on an IB Learner Profile and **Open-Minded** is our focus for the month of **February**.

An Open-Minded student knows that all people are different. They listen to the points of view of others and consider many possibilities before making a decision. They celebrate the differences that make all people unique.

### How can parents help to develop this Open-Minded trait at home?

- Encourage your child to try new things – new foods, new games and new activities.
- Expose your child to different festivals, celebrations and traditions and be sure to present them in a non-judgmental way.
- Encourage your child to really listen to others when they speak.
- Introduce literature about many different cultures into your home library. Be sure that it is appropriate and reflects the culture in an appropriate way.
- When you observe your child being Open-Minded, reinforce this positive behavior and use the PYP learner profile terminology.



Calling ALL Dads, Stepdads, Granddads, Uncles, and Brothers!

Ever feel like you want to get involved with your kid's day but not sure

how? **Watch D.O.G.S.** is an innovative program focusing on education and safety in schools by using the positive influence of fathers and father-figures.

You can be a positive role model and provide an extra set of eyes and ears for our students' safety by:

- Monitoring the school's property
- Working one on one in small groups
- Reading
- Flashcards
- Lunch and recess
- Or whatever needs to be done to **PLANT SEEDS OF SUCCESS**

Please get in touch with Brittany Shiner at [bshiner@dcsdk12.org](mailto:bshiner@dcsdk12.org) if you have any questions or would like to volunteer!

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