

Edison



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December 6, 2012

From the Principal

Dear Edison Community,

I hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving Break with family and friends. The teachers and staff at Edison are all very proud of the hard work we and the students have done this semester. We hope everyone can make it to Literacy Night at Edison on December 13 at 5:30 PM. This is a great tradition at Edison where we sell books at our book fair, celebrate holiday traditions from around the world, and enjoy literacy activities in classrooms.

We are also excited for winter vacation. It is our hope that children and families will spend their winter vacation relaxing and enjoying each other. Families, social events, celebrations and traditions are an important part of growing up and building strong communities. Though we encourage children to continue reading over the holidays, we also encourage them to make wonderful memories. If you and your children are looking for fun, educational opportunities over the winter break, please consider:

- Read Accelerated Reader books and plan to take a quiz when you return
- Visit the Children's Museum or Denver Museum of Nature and Science
- Visit Ocean Journey
- Go skiing, snowboarding, or snowshoeing
- Have a family game night
- Make holiday cookies or a gingerbread house
- Volunteer for a local non-profit

We hope that all of our children and families have a very happy holidays.

Sincerely,

Sally Whitelock, Principal

FunServices Orders

FunServices Sales catalog orders will be available for pick up on Tuesday, Dec 11th between the hours of 3:00-5:30. Please make every effort to pick up your order that day. If you need to make alternate arrangements email edisonfundraising@gmail.com or call Kristi at 720.278.3742.

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School day:

8:45 AM - 3:30 PM

Upcoming Events:

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| Dec 6 | School Tour at 9:30 AM |
| Dec 6 | CSC meeting at 4:30 in the auditorium |
| Dec 6 | 5th grade "Earth Systems" Performance at 6:30 in the auditorium |
| Dec 13 | Book Fair and Literacy Night at 5:30 |
| Dec 13 | ELA meeting at 5:00 |
| Dec 20 | School Tour at 9:30 AM |
| Dec 21 - Jan 7 | No School |
| Jan 8, 9 | Vision and Hearing screening |
| Jan 10 | CSC meeting at 4:30 in the auditorium |
| Jan 17 | PTA meeting at 3:30 on the playground (informal) |
| Jan 21, 22 | No school |

Enrichment Day-Lots of Fun for Everyone

If you were out and about around Denver on Tuesday, November 20th, you may have seen Edison t-shirts everywhere you ventured.

KUVO Radio in Five Points was a destination where students could learn about becoming a radio personality or a technical person for a radio station.

Sports Authority Field and the Pepsi Center saw a bunch of our kids wearing their Broncos, Nuggets or Avalanche Gear, prepared to learn what it takes to get the stadium ready for a game. We learned that every Sunday, Sports Authority Field sells enough hotdogs to stretch from the Broncos locker room to Coors Field.

The rest of us cooked, learned magic, learned about the history of movies, or became Van Gogh. We studied architecture, the chemistry of bubbles and the history of Thanksgiving. One group of students even put on their winter gear and learned how to ice skate. Everyone learned something new!

Enrichment Day at Edison is becoming a much loved tradition. Our teachers get to plan a day doing something they love and would not get to do with their students otherwise. Students get to pick something close to their heart that they would like to learn about, mix it up with other children and spend the day with a different teacher all around town.

Enrichment Day at Edison happens twice a year, once right before Thanksgiving and once again in the spring. We are actively seeking out new ideas for things that we could learn about for our upcoming spring Enrichment Day. If you have a really cool career or know one of Denver's best kept secrets, we'd love to hear about it, so we can get our kids there.

We'd like to thank all parents who donated to our cause... getting students out of the building, renting buses, paying entry fees and buying materials for projects would not be possible without you!

CSC Update

The CSC last met on November 1 to discuss the school priorities, the Positive Behavior Support systems, and the 2012-13 Unified Improvement Plan.

A draft UIP was submitted to DPS in November. The CSC will meet next on December 6 at 4:30 in the auditorium. Agenda items will include adjustments to and approval of the school UIP and a discussion regarding the UCD contract teacher positions and how they impact Edison.

Please visit the Edison website at <http://edison.dpsk12.org/> for CSC minutes.

Check Your Student's AR Progress On-line

All 1st-5th grade students at Edison are working hard to achieve their AR (Accelerated Reader) goals. Parents can check their progress online at:

<https://hosted252.renlearn.com/245193/homeconnect/>

The user name is your child's Student ID number preceded by "DPS;" for example: DPS123456

The password is your child's date of birth formatted as: mmddyyyy. For example, if your child's birthday is January 9, 2004, the password is 01092004

Contact your child's teacher if you need assistance with the user name and password.



The Gift of Jazz presents

The Edison Elementary Voice of the Eagles Choir

A Charlie Brown Christmas

Featuring Pianist Marc Sabatella

With Drew Morell (bass) & Jill Fredericksen (drums)



Saturday, December 15, 2012 3:00pm

At Dazzle Restaurant & Lounge: 930 Lincoln, Denver



For reservations call 303.839.5100

Vince Guaraldi's award-winning *A Charlie Brown Christmas* soundtrack holds a fond place in the hearts of most music lovers. The talented *Marc Sabatella Trio* will accompany Edison Elementary's *Voice of the Eagles* choir to bring these popular holiday classics to life with a special Saturday afternoon performance at one of Denver's most popular music venues.

Minimum Donation Requested: \$10

Proceeds benefit the Edison Elementary School music program.



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PTA Corner

Volunteering:

*Volunteers are paid in six figures...
S-M-I-L-E-S. ~Gayla LeMaire*

Fun Service Catalog Item Pick Up

Table, December 11th – Parents will be picking up the items that they ordered through the fundraiser catalogs that were sent home in October. Volunteers are needed to staff the item pick-up table. To sign up for a shift, please visit: <http://www.mysignup.com/catalogsalestable>

Scholastic Book Fair, December 11th, 12th & 13th - Volunteers are needed to assist with the Book Fair. There are shifts for set-up/clean-up and assistance during the Book Fair by running the cash register and tidying up the books. All Scholastic Book Fair volunteers will receive a \$5.00 voucher to use at the Book Fair. Please follow the following link to sign up for a shift: <http://www.mysignup.com/scholasticbookfair>

If you have not signed up for the monthly volunteer/teacher needs email and would like to do so or if you have any questions about volunteering, please email ptaedisondenver@gmail.com.

Fundraising:

We've had an amazing number of families participate in fundraisers this year. The Edison teachers, students and PTA want to thank you.

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The December fundraisers are:

December 4th, 4:00 pm - 10:00 pm, NY Pizza Pub community night benefiting Edison. Dine-in and carry out only. 25% of sales will be donated to Edison. (Must mention you are supporting Edison when you order). 4340 West 35th Avenue (35th & Tennyson).

December 9th, 2:00 pm - "A Christmas Carol" at the Aurora Fox Arts Center. Discount pricing with the code pta2 when tickets are purchased online at <http://aurorafoxartscenter.org/2012/08/12/a-christmas-carol-adapted-by-david-and-julie-payne/> or with Bobbie in the Box Office at (303)739-1970. \$2.00 will be donated back to Edison for every ticket purchased.

Donors Choose: Watch for projects posted by Edison teachers. Access the link on Edison's homepage <http://edison.dpsk12.org> Congratulations to Ms. Mansfield, Mrs. Senft, Mrs. Vigil, Mrs. Ditta, Ms. Stroschein and Ms. Miller on their recently funded projects.

Ongoing Fundraisers:

Contact edisonfundraising@gmail.com with questions.

- BoxTops/Labels for Education
- King Soopers Cards: purchase from Edison PTA
- Edison Online Store: <http://www.zazzle.com/edisonelementary>
- Direct Donation: Click the donate button on Edison's home page to donate
- SchoolStore.com: Shop online with merchants that donate a percentage of sales back to Edison. Magazine subscriptions give 50% back! \$250 earned and over \$1350 in teacher gift cards donated to date.



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