



BILL ROBERTS K-8 Bobcat Bulletin: The Weekly Roar!

2/20/2026

IMPORTANT DATES & UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	DATE	EVENT
2/23	Lockdown Drill	3/2	No School/ Professional Development Day
2/26	Kids & Screens Discussion 6-7:30 pm in the Library	3/5	KDG/5th/8th Picture Day
2/27	No School/ Professional Development Day	3/5	MSPAC Meeting

LINKS!

[PTA DEI Committee Parent Resource Bank](#)

[2025-26 School Year Calendar](#)

[Purchase 2025/2026 Yearbook](#)

[Composting Sign Up Sheet](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPDATE School Lockdown Drill *On Monday, we will be holding a Lockdown/Secure drill. The drill will take place sometime around 2pm. We will do our best to text families once the drill has begun and once it is complete. You may choose to keep your child(ren) home during the drill and it will be counted as an excused absence once you speak to the front office upon your child's arrival. For more information, please see the [Safety/Security Section](#) of our website for more info.*

Kids and Screens Discussion Night The Bill Roberts Safety Committee invites you to join us next Thursday, February 26th from 6-7:30 pm at the Bill Roberts library for a presentation and discussion on Kids & Screens: How Screens are Used in School. Hear from school staff about how school-issued screens are used in the classroom and engage in group discussion around how the school and families can work together to address pain points. This is a community issue and requires a community conversation. Please join us!

Free child care will be available. [RSVP here](#). Bring a friend!

Running Programs Start in March!

[Girls on the Run](#)



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Registration for the spring season of Girls on the Run is open now and if demand exceeds available spots on the team, Girls on the Run of the Rockies will enroll registrants tomorrow, February 20th, via lottery. Practices will run Tuesdays and Fridays after school from 4-5:30 pm, starting the week of March 2nd. The season ends with our celebratory 5K on Saturday, May 16th. The cost of the program is \$195 with scholarships available. Register at www.girlsontherunrockies.org.

Girls on the Run is a program for students of all abilities in 3rd through 5th grade who identify as girls, nonbinary or gender non-confirming. The curriculum blends physical activity with social-emotional skill development that enables participants to manage whatever comes their way. For questions on the Bill Roberts team, email Site Coordinator Alex Foster at aofoster@gmail.com.

Let Me Run

Spring Season Starts in March

Boys in 3rd, 4th or 5th grades of all abilities are welcome to join Bill Roberts' Let Me Run season this spring! Practices will take place after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays, starting March 17th, from 4-5:15 pm. The season runs through the week of May 10th, culminating in our end of season 5k at the Colfax Marathon weekend. The cost is \$165 per student and includes entry in the Colfax 5K on Saturday, May 16th. Registration is now open and spots are filling fast so don't wait! [REGISTER HERE](#)

Let Me Run is a wellness program that inspires boys to be themselves, be active and belong. With a comprehensive curriculum that applies the power of running, the program encourages boys to develop their psychological, emotional, and social health in addition to their physical health. Learn more at LetMeRun.org. Send questions about the Bill Roberts team to Greta Holtz at gnholtz@gmail.com.

REMINDER Black History Month Spirit Week To celebrate Black History Month, the entire school will be participating in a spirit week. This will be held the week of February 23rd-26th. See [this slideshow](#) for more information on the theme of each day. Please pay special attention to slide 9 in order to ensure that this is a respectful, safe and fun celebration for all!

- Monday: Ruby Bridges Day - Wear Purple
- Tuesday: Celebrating the Harlem Renaissance - Dress as your dream career
- Wednesday: Heritage Day - Wear something that represents your culture
- Thursday: Black Celebration Day - Wear all black



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REMINDER 26/27 School Year Job Posting: Special Education Senior Team Lead + Mild Moderate Educator As previously mentioned, we are in the process of posting this position that will focus on case management, assessment, quality control, K-8 systems and coaching teachers and 1:1 paraprofessionals. This position is key to the ongoing success of our team and students- and we need your help attracting the best applicants! Please reach out to your communities to see if there is anyone interested in this critical role and encourage them to apply to the job on the DPS Job Board AND to reach out to Mr. Sanders and Ms. Keyes.

REMINDER CMAS Immediately After Spring Break As a heads up, the state has decreased our timeline to complete CMAS so, starting immediately after spring break, we will begin administering CMAS school wide. Typically, we would take the week after spring break to re-acclimate students to our daily schedule, rituals and routines. This year, we will start testing that week and will continue with testing for the following two weeks as well. Stay tuned for a more thorough schedule for testing.

REMINDER Keeping Our Middle Schoolers Healthy: Substance Use Prevention We are dedicated to maintaining a safe, healthy, and focused learning environment for our middle school students. As part of our commitment to this, we want to ensure all families are clear on our district-wide policy regarding vaping and nicotine. The use or possession of any products containing nicotine (or other illegal substance for that matter) - is strictly prohibited on school grounds, in school buses, and at all school-sponsored activities, and carries a disciplinary action that includes suspension.

Prevention is our main priority, and we value your partnership. Please have a conversation with your middle schooler about this topic. Thankfully, most 13- to 18-year-olds are NOT vaping or using substances; given the risks associated with substance abuse, we want to keep it that way for our kids! Here are a few helpful resources.

[Catch My Breath Just The Fact](#): Provides youth with the knowledge and skills needed to make informed decisions about e-cigarettes and resist social pressures to vape. Informed by tobacco youth prevention researchers and practitioners, years of real world implementation, and a youth advisory board.

[Tobacco Free Colorado](#): Education for Colorado's residents and public health organizations on tobacco cessation and prevention.

[My Life My Quit](#): A free and confidential way to quit smoking or vaping. Text "Start My Quit" to 36072 or click the link to chat with a Coach.



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[Catch My Breath Parent Toolkit](#): A comprehensive guide designed to educate parents of middle and high school students on the dangers of the vaping epidemic and provide actionable strategies to prevent youth nicotine use.

REMINDER Fun Run Registration Now Open It's time to lace up your sneakers and get ready to run because the Fun Run is coming Saturday, March 21st! Students, families, friends, neighbors and more are welcome to join this annual event in support of Bill Roberts. Registration is \$25 per runner in advance or \$35 on race day and includes a T-shirt and the chance to participate in the 5K or 1-mile race. Burritos are available for pre-order.

New in 2026: 5K Relay! Teams of three can participate in the 5K for the first time. Each leg is about a mile. Any three people can run together—run with your friends and/or your family. The cost is \$75 per team ahead of time and \$105 the day of. One relay team member should register for the full team.

Register by Sunday, March 8th to get the best prices and receive your T-shirt ahead of the event.

[Register and get complete details on the registration page.](#)

Questions? Email brfunrun@gmail.com.

Register today and join us for this fun family event!

IMPORTANT REMINDER Check Out Procedure Change Since January, we have joined many other schools in limiting student checkouts immediately preceding our 3:50p dismissal. Going forward, our front office staff *will not check out students to parents after 3:30p*. The end of day is a very hectic time for our front office staff and classrooms- which is compounded by trying to contact teachers to retrieve students- right before the bell. Thank you for understanding and for supporting our front office staff.

REMINDER Curious in the Community is returning to Bill Roberts! This is a program run by Curious Theatre Teaching Artists and Mrs. Lundblad to help students write and perform original theatrical works. The program will run Tuesdays and Thursdays after school from 4-5 pm for students in 4th-8th grades **from March 10th-through April 28th**. If you have any questions, please reach out to Mrs. Lundblad at christina_lundblad@dpsk12.net. Visit this [Sign Up Genius link](#) to sign up.