



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

8/22/25

IMPORTANT DATES & UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	DATE	EVENT
8/25	K-2 Assessment Day (no school K-2 Only)	9/10	PTA Meeting
8/26	DI Info Session	9/12	K-2 Meet and Greet @ Urban Air
9/1	Labor Day (no school)	9/26	Book it Bobcats Celebration
9/2	K-8 Assessment Day (no school)	10/25	HOLD: School Auction!

LINKS!

[PTA DEI Committee Parent Resource Bank](#)
[2025-26 School Year Calendar](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PTA Composting News Thanks to everyone who attended Back-to-School night yesterday! As we mentioned last night, we are hoping to get some dedicated, recurring volunteers to help us at lunch as we roll-out composting. Here is the [composting sign up](#) if you are interested. We are also including the PTA [volunteer sign up](#) as well if you are interested in helping on one of our other awesome committees! As always, thanks for your willingness to help make our school amazing!

Handbook As discussed at Back to School Night, [HERE](#) is a copy of our new and improved Parent/Family Handbook. There are still sections that are under construction as well as a list of items that need to be addressed. Please take a moment to review and sign the Acknowledgement Form that is linked on the main page of the Handbook.

New Communication Tool As discussed at Back to School Night, Thrillshare Rooms and The DPS App are Now Live. The Denver Public Schools (DPS) app and our new two-way communication platform, Thrillshare Rooms, are now live! The new DPS app offers live feed updates, district and school news, upcoming events and push notifications for important and urgent announcements. Staff and families are encouraged to download the app to be in the know about important things happening at individual schools and the district as a whole. This



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feature is meant to replace different parent-teacher communication tools used by schools in the past. By bringing classroom communication and messaging into our district app, we hope to create a simpler and ultimately better communication experience for staff and families.

Key Features

- With Rooms and the DPS app, teachers, staff and coaches can communicate, share classroom announcements and reminders about coursework all through the new DPS app.
- Automatic translation is built into the platform so each interaction is available in the parent or guardian's preferred language.
- Rooms allows teachers to control the flow of parent-teacher conversations. Instead of juggling conversations through multiple channels like Facebook, email, etc., Rooms funnels all parent-teacher communication into one place. In addition, thanks to our districtwide implementation, teachers will be able to use Rooms at any district-managed school and many charter schools authorized by DPS.
- Because Rooms is integrated with Infinite Campus, students will automatically appear within their appropriate class designation.

Download the DPS App

- Download the app from the [Apple App Store](#) or the [Google Play Store](#).

District Recognition for Tu Voz Participation Each year, DPS conducts "Your Voice / Tu Voz" surveys during the academic school year to understand the perceptions of students, parents, and guardians. Students are surveyed to understand how 3rd- through 12th-graders perceive their academic experience and their social-emotional health. Families are surveyed to learn the extent to which parents and guardians feel welcomed, involved and informed. Last year (AY 2024-2025), Bill Roberts drove exceptional participation in the Your Voice / Tu Voz Student Survey effort. Thank you everyone for your support!

Destination Imagination Info Meeting @ Tuesday, August 26th at 4 pm Join our drama teacher Mrs. Lundblad, and our STEM teacher, Mr. Lundblad as they provide information regarding this year's Destination Imagination (DI) program on Tuesday at 4 pm in the Bill Roberts Library. If parents are interested in having their students participate this year, they need to attend this meeting. If they can't attend but are interested in participating, email Mr. Lundblad or Mrs. Lundblad by Friday, August 29th. This year DI competition teams will be open to 4th-8th graders, If you have a younger child, or a sibling in a younger grade who is interested, please reach out to Mrs. Lundblad. If there is enough interest, they could add a team for younger students.



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DI is a program where student teams engage in creative problem-solving challenges, fostering skills in STEM and the arts. Participants, guided by the creative process, work collaboratively to develop unique solutions to open-ended challenges, enhancing skills like communication and creative thinking. DI culminates in tournaments where teams showcase their solutions, with top performers advancing to higher levels, including the world's largest celebration of creativity, Global Finals.

Theatre Program for 5th Graders The [Curious Theatre Company](#) (run by one of Bill Robert's daughters, Ms. Jada Dixon) will be hosting an after-school theater program for 5th grade students, "Curious in the Community." This program is open to 20-25 students in 5th grade and will run September 9th-October 16th from 4-5 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays each week. They will bring professional teaching artists to our theater classroom. Mrs. Lundblad will be there too, but only to help supervise students. Students will work to create an original work and then present that work to friends and family at the end of the camp. This program is free and is generously provided in collaboration with the Curious Theatre company. Check out this [Sign Up Genius](#) or click on the logo below to register.

Book It Bobcats! Great job reading this summer, Bobcats! Book It Bobcats is almost over for 2025, but there is still time to get some additional hours that will count toward prizes. The last day to count reading toward your Book It goal is September 12th! You can begin collecting [donations here](#), and don't forget to [report your reading](#) by September 19th! Our celebration for all participants will be in the afternoon on Friday, September 26th. Those that read more than 100 hours or raised more than \$200 will also be invited to join a donut breakfast with a special guest on the same day.

Girls on the Run Registration for the fall season of Girls on the Run is open! To ensure everyone has an equal opportunity to join the team, if demand exceeds available spots on the team, Girls on the Run of the Rockies will enroll registrants on Friday, August 29, via lottery. Practices will run Tuesdays and Thursdays after school from 4-5:30 pm, starting the week of September 9. The season ends with our celebratory 5K on Sunday, November 9th.

The cost of the program is \$195. [Register here](#). There are scholarships available. Download the scholarship form [here](#).

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



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way. For questions on the Bill Roberts team, email Site Coordinator Alex Foster at aofoster@gmail.com.

Let Me Run Boys in 3rd, 4th or 5th grades of all abilities are welcome to join Bill Roberts' Let Me Run season this fall! Practices will take place after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4-5:15 pm, starting September 9th. and the season runs through the week of October 20th. The cost is \$165 per student and includes entry in a local Halloween-themed 5k on Saturday, Oct 25th! [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 at gnholtz@gmail.com.

Room Parent Registration Room Parent Sign Ups are open. Please consider signing up to help support our teachers and classrooms this year. Room parents are a key connection between our families and the school community. If you are interested, use [this link](#) to sign up. Please note: there was a glitch at Meet-the-Teacher night so please re-fill out the form if you entered one then. We will be hosting a Room Parent Orientation soon. Thanks!

Reminder Room Parent Email Lists Our wonderful PTA facilitates our Room Parent Program at Bill Roberts. At the elementary level, there is a room parent for each classroom/teacher. At the middle level, there is a Room Parent for each grade level. The most efficient way for a Room Parent to communicate grade level or teacher-specific information is through email. Our teachers are able to provide a distribution list to the Room Parent. *If you **DO NOT** want to be included on that distribution list, please let your child's homeroom teacher know via email.*

Reminder Discovery Link Contrary to what some people are saying, Discover Link has assured us that there are still spots available, even on Late Start Mondays. For more info on Discovery Link please [visit their homepage](#).

Last Call Fall Enrichment Spots Still Available! Kids need to get moving and that is what we do at Movement Madness. Our classes are geared towards kids entering kindergarten up through 5th grade. We provide a fun, exciting way for kids to stay fit and have fun in a non-competitive, encouraging environment. Our amazing instructors provide your child with



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encouragement to build self- esteem, movement to get and keep them healthy, fun games that teach sports skills, sportsmanship. Movement Madness is fun, filled with exercise and laughter with new and old friends. We run, jump, throw balls, kick balls, hit balls, catch balls and much more during an hour class! Games and activities change weekly and we provide an hour of non stop motion! You can check out offerings [HERE](#) and you can click [HERE](#) to register for Fall Enrichments *that will occur in the morning on late start Mondays!*