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

11/20/26

IMPORTANT DATES & UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	DATE	EVENT
11/23	Thanksgiving Break Begins	**12/3**	Elementary Tour/Spirit Wear Day
11/30	Students Return	**12/7-11**	Book Fair
12/1	School Choice Round 1 Opens	**12/9**	Family Dance

LINKS!

PTA DEI Committee Parent Resource Bank
2026-2027 School Year Calendar
2026-2027 School Supply Lists
Composting Sign Up Sheet
Food Pantry Form
****NEW LINK**** **Enrichment Monday Registration**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Talking with Kids About Race, Gender, Ability and Identity *(Family Bulletin Entry)*

Recently, we have observed growing interest amongst our students in these topics. More often than not, their interest is communicated appropriately and supportively. Other times, comments, jokes and/or questions may come across as inappropriate … or even hurtful. As you may be aware, one of our schoolwide goals is to build a strong sense of *Belongingness* for all students who attend Bill Roberts.

We firmly believe that 1) it is the diversity in our school that makes us an amazing community; and 2) the power of our home-school partnership will help us to grow our students to be supportive, see differences as strengths and to *speak out* if they witness injustice of any form.

Our PTA DEI Committee has curated resources for families that can support conversations at home. The Committee also meets monthly (*new members are always welcome!*) and is planning to host a community speaker/discussion group on this topic sometime next semester.

Thank you for your partnership in ensuring that ALL kids have a positive experience at Bill Roberts and that our students leave our school ready to be leaders in our community!

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Health Screenings Our school has their annual health screenings coming up in December (12/12-12/18). Each year Denver Public Schools provides the opportunity for free vision, hearing and dental screening for students mandated grades (Kinder, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 5th, and 7th). Screening is considered best practice to help identify students who may be at risk for health concerns affecting their ability to learn. These screenings are not an assessment or an evaluation and do not replace professional exams. Parents of students whose screening results fall outside of the recommended ranges will be notified. If you DO NOT want your student to participate in these screenings, please return the attached form to your school nurse (Megan Smith) prior to December 12, 2026. If you have any further questions, please contact the school nurse at 720-424-2650 or megan_smith@dps12.net

STEM Tour of Belize There are still a few spots left on our upcoming Bill Roberts Belize STEM tour! Give the gift of life changing travel to your student this holiday season. Together, we will experience conservation in action across Belize's rainforests, farms, marine reserves, and barrier reefs. EF Tours, our education partner, is offering a final $150 discount that will last through December 31st! All you need to do to secure the discount is enroll through this link: www.eftours.com/3111989BD prior to 12/31. Students must be 11 or older to participate. Please reach out to laurel_davis6@dpsk12.net if you have any questions!

***UPDATE* HVAC Feedback Needed** Thank you for all of the support in expressing our need for assistance updating our HVAC system. Jasmine and Jason presented to a subcommittee of the board on Wednesday, along with approximately 20 other schools. Fingers crossed that we made a strong case! We will keep you posted as we hear more.

REMINDER **The DPS Panorama Family Survey** remains open until Dec. 6. HERE is an additional resource that has been developed to help you learn about the survey! The survey is your opportunity to share anonymous feedback directly with your school so they can partner with you to improve your students' school experience. After the survey is complete, DPS is committed to sharing what we learn and how survey insights will inform our next steps at the district and school levels. We will look closely at feedback across different groups to make sure every school community gets the support and resources they need, and follow research-backed strategy guides to make improvements at your school. Visit the DPS Panorama Family Survey webpage.

REMINDER **Dress for Weather** It is the time of year when the weather becomes especially unpredictable. As always, our goal is to get students outside for recess as often as we can- even if there is light rain or snow. Last week, we were close to holding an inside recess day-

less due to weather and more about students' preparation in terms of jackets, pants, etc. Please ensure that your student is prepared for winter Colorado weather each day!

REMINDER **Middle School Open House** Attention 5th Grade Families! Please plan to join us on Tuesday, December 15th at 5 pm to hear all about Bill Roberts Middle School. You will get to hear from the 6th grade teachers, current students, and alumni! We can't wait to show you what makes Bill Roberts Middle School so special. RSVP here: Bill Roberts Middle School Open House