



BILL ROBERTS K-8

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IMPORTANT DATES & UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	DATE	EVENT
9/14	Broncos Orange Day	9/28	Non Student Contact Day
9/17	Picture Day	10/6	PTA DEI Community Potluck
9/18	Bobcat Promise Assemblies	10/17	HOLD: School Auction

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Broncos Monday/Dress UP Thursday Mr. Sanders has reported that almost every student has been asking how the Seahawks played so well this week. His response was that they played so well because he wore his Seahawks tie and shoes. So, with that logic, we are allowing a Broncos day on Monday (this is not a dress down day). Also, it's picture day on Thursday and we encourage students to dress UP. Let the aura farming begin!

Website Under Construction As many of you may have noticed, our website is a little behind or inaccurate in some places. The district has changed platforms and we have been told that our website will be converted at any time. That has caused us to hold off on major updates, but we are now trying to make important updates as the timeline has not been clear from the district. Thank you for your patience.

Open Para Position We have had an open paraprofessional meeting posted on the DPS job board for some time now and we have not been able to secure a qualified candidate. If you know of someone who would be interested, please have them reach out directly to Katheryn Keyes. The job is a .5 special education para job and a .5 general ed para position.

The Platinum Gala! October 17, 2026 at Asterisk- Denver It's almost time for the annual Bill Roberts Auction. Mark your calendars, book your babysitters, and get your tickets for



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this fabulous event coming up on October 17th, from 6-10:30 pm at Asterisk Denver. There will be signature cocktails, delicious bites, fun games and photo opportunities, and an amazing auction, all to celebrate Bill Roberts' shining legacy and support our bright future. Keep an eye on your email over the next few days for the ticket announcement!

Early Birds: tickets purchased before October 1st will be entered to win a year of pizza and wine from our generous friends at Mici's.

The auction is our biggest fundraiser of the year, and the success of our students is made possible by the support of our community! Get excited to celebrate 20 years of Bill Roberts!

Safety Committee Meeting In One Week! Our first PTA Safety Committee is on Thursday, September 17th at 9:15 am at the school. Check in at the front desk and they can direct you. The Safety Committee supports driving, walking, and biking safely around the school's campus. We also sponsor a series of parent discussions around tech safety both at home and at school. All are welcome! Please join us to learn about all things safety related! Questions can be directed to Julia Bissell at juliabissell@gmail.com or Susan Mooney at sus.mooney@gmail.com.

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REMINDER BESS As you welcome students and families back this week, please note that the **BESS Parent Window is open now through Oct. 30**. Per the BESS Criteria for Success, all eligible students must be screened using two form types during the beginning-of-year (BOY) window. This means students in grades ECE–2 require both a teacher and parent screener.

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REMINDER Composting Help Wanted We are so excited that composting has returned for another year at Bill Roberts! But we need help getting the students back up to speed, especially the younger grades. If you have the time, please consider signing up for a shift this month, to help the kids get a handle on things. If you have a child working alongside you, please support them and help them get the hang of things. Here is the [Composting Sign Up Sheet](#).

REMINDER Bill Roberts Food Pantry If you would like to receive weekly food assistance please complete this simple [google form](#) and you will be contacted with additional information. Please note that the school staff will take great care in maintaining confidentiality.

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Bobcats in the News! Our super-sub Zach Shell wrote an article about DPS' new cellphone policy which was published on Denverite's website earlier this week .. and Bill Roberts is highlighted! Check it out:

Article: <https://denverite.com/2026/08/31/denver-public-school-cellphone-ban/>

Podcast: <https://www.cpr.org/podcast-episode/aug-31-2026-school-phone-bans-drag-racing-environment-colorado-state-smell/>



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PTA Meeting on Wednesday The first PTA meeting of the 26-27 school year will be held on Wednesday, September 9th at 6:30 pm in the library. PTA meetings are typically held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. We will discuss how to get involved, upcoming events and there will be time for member input and/or questions. We'll also be voting on the budget for the year. Remember, you must be a PTA member to cast your vote. [Become a member or renew your PTA membership today!](#) Dues are \$15 for an individual or \$25 per family. If you can't make it in person, you can join us remotely via this [Google Meet link](#). Childcare will be available.

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K-2nd Grade Family Community Night The PTA is hosting a meet-and-greet community event for Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd grade families at the school Playground on Friday, September 18th from 5:00-7:00 pm (*updated time due to Middle School sports Home games). Join us for a fun, relaxed evening where our kids can play, laugh, and make new friends while parents can also meet, mingle, and get to know one another. Whether your family is new to our school or you've been here for years, everyone is welcome! Our hope is to create an easy, joyful opportunity for families to connect and build the friendships and community that make our school such a special place.

[Please RSVP here](#) so we can ensure we have enough pizza, drinks, and sweet treats! Feel free to bring picnic blankets or camp chairs.

There is no cost to attend the event; however, a \$5 donation per student will help cover the event costs. Donations can be made the day of the event or via our [venmo](#) at @BillRobertsPTA

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DPS After School Enrichments Registration Ends Soon Registration closes on Wednesday, September 2nd at 10 pm for fall after-school enrichments. Courses begin the week of September 14th and include Berlitz Second Language Lessons, Chess Wizards, Flow



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Academy, Omniform Karate and more! View enrichment offerings in this [online brochure](#). New this year: waitlists are available and DPS will reach out if a space opens.

All registrations can be completed through the [Community Portal for Arux](#). If you have any questions, email enrichment_extendedlearning@dpsk12.org.

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REMINDER Musical Auditions Time Slots Available Now We're all mad here...mad for musicals! Auditions for this year's school musical are starting soon and are open to students in 3rd-8th grade who are interested in performing Alice in Wonderland.

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Please reach out to Mrs. Lundblad regarding any questions or concerns at christina_lundblad@dpsk12.net.



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REMINDER Hosting Bill Roberts Alumni In order to ensure that all guests in the building are accounted for (outside of larger class/schoolwide events), the front office requires teachers to inform them *by the start of the day* if they are expecting any visitors. We LOVE hosting former students- it's one of the amazing and unique things about our school community- but if a student arrives without pre-scheduled teacher approval, we will not be able to allow them in the building nor will we call classrooms to "see if it's ok." Please make your former Bill Roberts students aware of this policy and we will, of course, initiate this process with kindness and grace.

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Back to School Night is set for next Thursday, 8/27. While the Meet and Greet is geared toward students, B2SN is more for the adults. We ask that, if possible, kids stay home. *Very limited childcare will be available- pickup will occur at the beginning of each presentation in the*



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gym. The evening is set up for parents to be able to see multiple classrooms with Elementary in the first two time slots and then MS later in the evening. Here are the important details:

- 4:30-4:45 Elementary Admin/PTA Welcome in Gym
- 4:45- 5:15 Round 1 Classroom Visits
- 5:15-5:30 Elementary Admin/PTA Welcome in Gym
- 5:30-6:00 Round 2 Classroom Visits
- 6:00-6:15 MS Admin/PTA/Athletics Welcome in Gym
- 6:15-7:15 MS Classroom Visits

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Medication(s) Dropoff We are thrilled to welcome Nurse Megan back to Bill Roberts this year to support students. We are trying something new for the beginning of the year with medication check in to make it easier for you all. If your child needs to have medication at school for asthma, allergies, adhd or anything else, you will need a form filled out by the doctor. Please look at the forms attached. ***We will only accept these forms this year.*** Once you have gotten everything filled out by the doctor; please sign up for a time slot to meet with me and bring in the forms and medications. For medications; please do not bring large costco sizes (all medications go into pencil boxes for storage). Over the counter medications need to be unopened and in the original container. Prescribed medications need to be new medications with your child prescription/name on the box. You can sign up for a time slot here---> [Medication Drop Off Sign Up](#). If you have any questions, please call Nurse Megan at 720-424-2650.



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Composting Check out [this presentation](#) outlining how students can begin composting right away. Classroom volunteers will earn Golden Tickets for helping us out! Thanks Lara and Green Team!

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Headphones As a reminder for those who bought school supply kits, most families opted to purchase their own headphones independently instead of adding them to their kits. Please ensure students bring headphones to school. If you don't remember what you chose, please contact Michelle Murray at BillRobertsVP@gmail.com

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- Submissions go straight to our processing queue for quick review. Once approved, Campus automatically creates the attendance record for you!
- It streamlines our daily attendance workflow and significantly lightens phone traffic.
- This allows Infinite Campus to do the heavy lifting!

REMINDER Utilizing the My Ride K-12 App As we work to ensure a safe and efficient school environment. We ask for your assistance in sharing the [My Ride K-12](#) app with parents, students and the DPS community. With this app, parents can receive late bus alerts, view route information and check their student's bus location.

Because these features are offered, scanning on and off the bus is mandatory and students must have a QR code on their phone or printed ID. Physical IDs are being printed for transportation eligible elementary, middle and high school students. Once completed, these IDs will be delivered to your schools for distribution. Aligning with the new cellphone policy, students are permitted to utilize their mobile devices while on the bus to display their digital QR codes. If you have questions, please email transportation@dpsk12.org.

REMINDER Community Engagement Info Now Available Denver Public Schools is hosting community meetings as part of the Redrawing Our District Equitably: School Boundary and Enrollment Zone Update initiative. Families are invited to attend a meeting in their region to learn more, ask questions and share feedback that will help shape recommendations. See the attached flyer for more information and to RSVP. [Community flyers](#) are now available for the eight most common languages.

- Sept. 1, 6-8 p.m. – Far Northeast Regional Meeting at Montbello High School
- Sept. 8, 6-8 p.m. – Southeast Regional Meeting at Hamilton Middle School
- Sept. 10, 6-8 p.m. – Southwest Regional Meeting at Lincoln High School
- Sept. 14, 6-8 p.m. – Near Northeast Regional Meeting at Northfield High School



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- Sept. 22, 6-8 p.m. – Northwest Regional Meeting at CEC Early College
- Sept. 24, 6-8 p.m. – Central Regional Meeting at Bruce Randolph School

SAFETY Arrival Procedures Arrivals are welcome 10 minutes prior to the start of the school day (unless they are attending Discovery Link, at breakfast or in a club with prior consent provided). *Outdoor supervision does not occur prior to 10 minutes before the start of school.*

- KDG, 1, 2, and 5 grades will meet in front of the school until the bell rings. At that time, they will line up at their class' designated spot and their teacher will walk them inside to start their day. *KDG "soft start" begins 10 minutes prior to the start of the school day.*
- Grades 3, 4, and 6 meet on the main playground until the bell rings. At that time, they will line up at their class' designated spot on the playground and their teacher will walk them inside to start their day.
- Grades 7 and 8 meet in the front of the school and will be let into the building prior to elementary grades.

Parking Lot Procedures

- All vehicles must enter the parking lot at the entrance located across from the Police Training Facility on N. Akron Way
- Drivers should adhere to one way directions at all times (see below)
- There is a Kiss-n-Go lane for quick drop-offs. Drivers should not exit vehicle or park their car in the Kiss-n-Go Lane.
- Bus Lane/Fire Lane are no parking areas at all times. Vehicles should not enter this lane unless directed by school personnel.

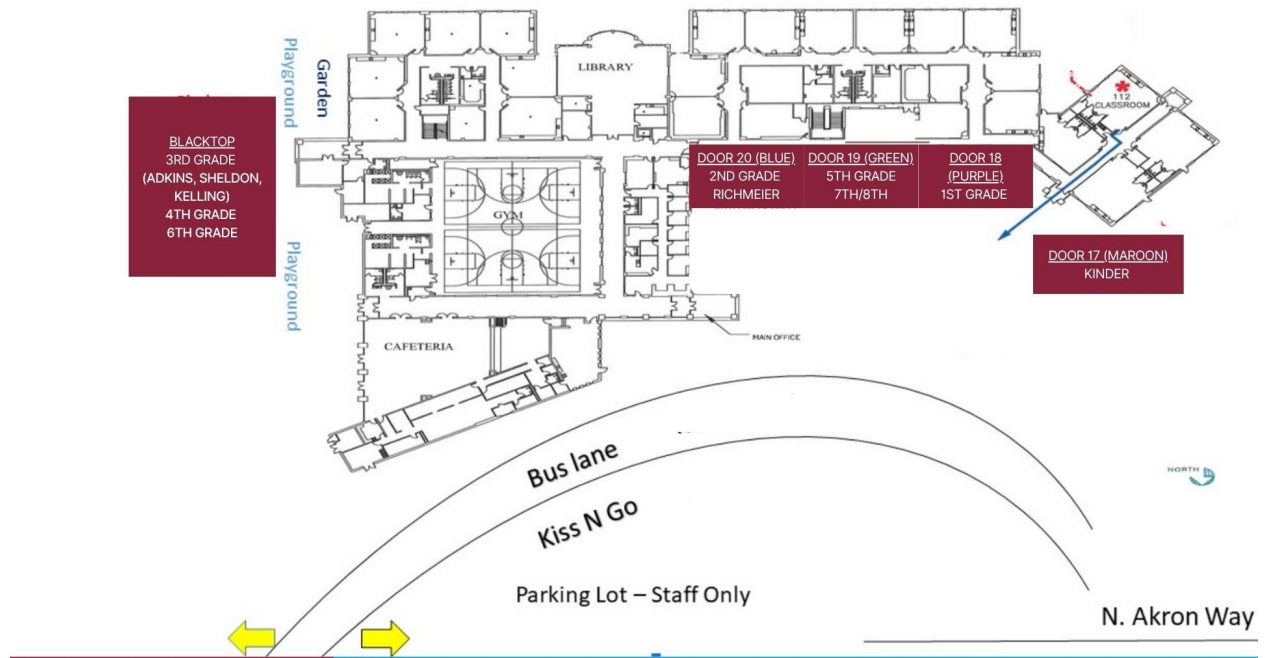
Pedestrian, Bike, Skateboard, Scooter Policies

- Pedestrians have the right of way in all circumstances. Cars and bikes are expected to yield to pedestrians.
- Students and families are asked to dismount bikes, etc. upon entering campus.
- Caregivers and students should cross at designated crosswalks at all times.
- Crosswalks are located on E 22nd and N. Akron Way.
- Additional crosswalks are for students exiting the kiss and go lane.
- Staff crosses students on E 22nd where bus and car traffic exit.
- Student-driven electric modes of transportation are not allowed on campus at any time.



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- Open house style (come and go as you please)
- Doors open at 5:00 and will close shortly after 6:00
- NEW 6th Grade Parents may escort their child(ren) upstairs to take locker pictures and then parents should join the cafeteria for a brief presentation starting at 5:15.
- Stay and mingle with others families and staff from 6:00-7:00
- Food trucks will be available for the entirety of the event

Class Lists Thank you for your patience as we made updates to our class lists. At this time, student schedules should be live in your Parent Portal. Despite our best efforts when creating class lists (see spring bulletin for process details), there may be specific needs that go overlooked. If this is the case for your child(ren), please complete this [Classroom Change Request Form](#). Requests will be reviewed on a case by case basis and, in some cases, may be granted.

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- Submissions go straight to our processing queue for quick review. Once approved, Campus automatically creates the attendance record for you!
- It streamlines our daily attendance workflow and significantly lightens phone traffic.
- This allows Infinite Campus to do the heavy lifting!

Utilizing the My Ride K-12 App As we work to ensure a safe and efficient school environment. We ask for your assistance in sharing the [My Ride K-12](#) app with parents, students and the DPS community. With this app, parents can receive late bus alerts, view route information and check their student's bus location.

Because these features are offered, scanning on and off the bus is mandatory and students must have a QR code on their phone or printed ID. Physical IDs are being printed for transportation eligible elementary, middle and high school students. Once completed, these IDs will be delivered to your schools for distribution. Aligning with the new cellphone policy, students are permitted to utilize their mobile devices while on the bus to display their digital QR codes. If you have questions, please email transportation@dpsk12.org.

Community Engagement Info Now Available Denver Public Schools is hosting community meetings as part of the Redrawing Our District Equitably: School Boundary and Enrollment Zone Update initiative. Families are invited to attend a meeting in their region to learn more, ask questions and share feedback that will help shape recommendations. See the attached flyer for more information and to RSVP. [Community flyers](#) are now available for the eight most common languages.

- Sept. 1, 6-8 p.m. – Far Northeast Regional Meeting at Montbello High School
- Sept. 8, 6-8 p.m. – Southeast Regional Meeting at Hamilton Middle School



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- Sept. 10, 6-8 p.m. – Southwest Regional Meeting at Lincoln High School
- Sept. 14, 6-8 p.m. – Near Northeast Regional Meeting at Northfield High School
- Sept. 22, 6-8 p.m. – Northwest Regional Meeting at CEC Early College
- Sept. 24, 6-8 p.m. – Central Regional Meeting at Bruce Randolph School

SAFETY Arrival Procedures Arrivals are welcome 10 minutes prior to the start of the school day (unless they are attending Discovery Link, at breakfast or in a club with prior consent provided). *Outdoor supervision does not occur prior to 10 minutes before the start of school.*

- KDG, 1, 2, and 5 grades will meet in front of the school until the bell rings. At that time, they will line up at their class' designated spot and their teacher will walk them inside to start their day. *KDG "soft start" begins 10 minutes prior to the start of the school day.*
- Grades 3, 4, and 6 meet on the main playground until the bell rings. At that time, they will line up at their class' designated spot on the playground and their teacher will walk them inside to start their day.
- Grades 7 and 8 meet in the front of the school and will be let into the building prior to elementary grades.

Parking Lot Procedures

- All vehicles must enter the parking lot at the entrance located across from the Police Training Facility on N. Akron Way
- Drivers should adhere to one way directions at all times (see below)
- There is a Kiss-n-Go lane for quick drop-offs. Drivers should not exit vehicle or park their car in the Kiss-n-Go Lane.
- Bus Lane/Fire Lane are no parking areas at all times. Vehicles should not enter this lane unless directed by school personnel.

Pedestrian, Bike, Skateboard, Scooter Policies

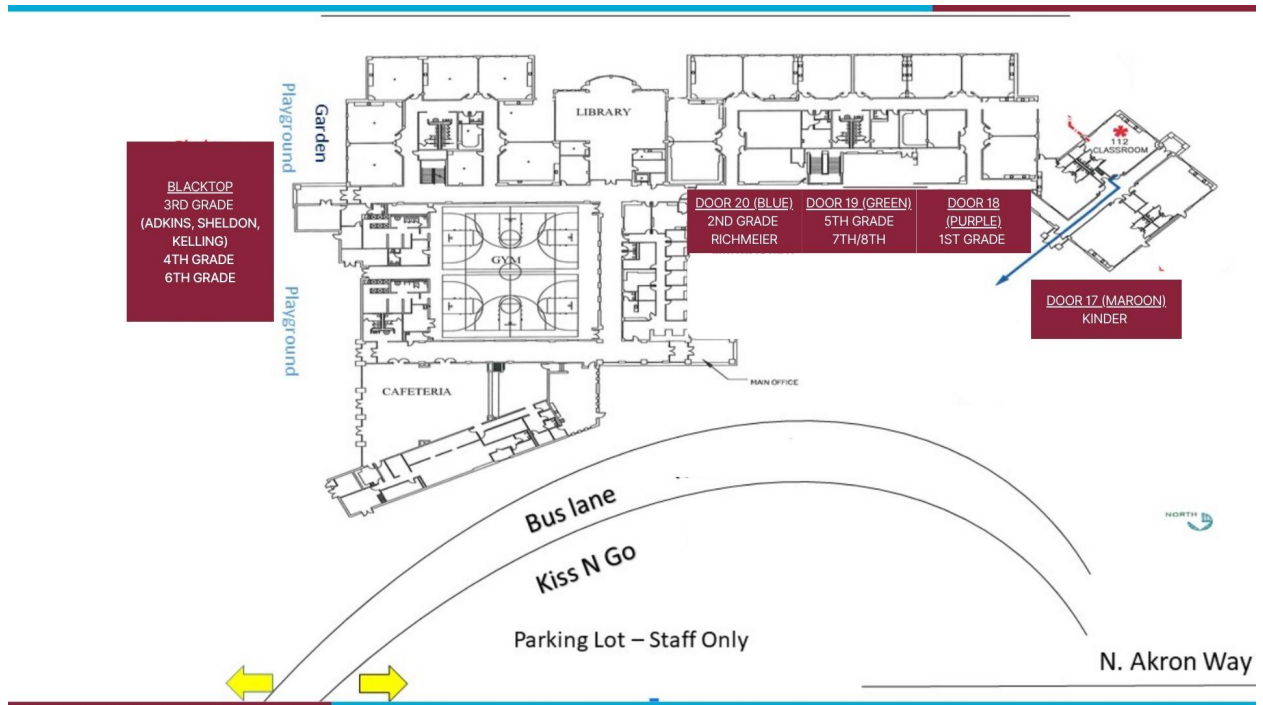
- Pedestrians have the right of way in all circumstances. Cars and bikes are expected to yield to pedestrians.
- Students and families are asked to dismount bikes, etc. upon entering campus.
- Caregivers and students should cross at designated crosswalks at all times.
- Crosswalks are located on E 22nd and N. Akron Way.
- Additional crosswalks are for students exiting the kiss and go lane.
- Staff crosses students on E 22nd where bus and car traffic exit.



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IMPORTANT DATES & UPCOMING EVENTS

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LINKS!

[PTA DEI Committee Parent Resource Bank](#)

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