

## 8/30/24

## **IMPORTANT DATES & UPCOMING EVENTS**

9/2- Labor Day (no school)

9/3-9/6 Food Drive

9/4- Bike Bus

9/6- First Fridays with Mr. Sanders

9/5- MS Committee Meeting

9/5- Picture Day (Dress UP Day for all

students)

9/6- First Full Day Friday (3:50p Dismissal)

9/9- School Lockdown Drill (more information

to come)

9/11- Rapids Assembly

9/11- PTA Meeting

9/13- K-2 Toca Bounce and Pizza Party

9/18-19- Fall Play Auditions

9/18- PTA DEI Committee Meeting

## LINKS!

Bobcat Bulletin: The Weekly Roar! (archives)
PTA DEI Committee Parent Resource Bank

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**First Fridays with Mr. Sanders** We will continue holding our monthly, virtual community meetings where we get the opportunity to provide important information on school wide initiatives, community events, etc. We will hold our first meeting next *Friday, September 6th* @ 9:30am. Due to clear demand, we are going to look into recording options for those that cannot attend (although we may not work out all glitches this first go-round). Next week's session will be focused on **Starting the Year Strong- School/Parent Partnerships and Disrupting Social Media Trends.** 

**Food Pantry** The Bill Roberts Food Pantry shelves are empty, so we're asking for your help to stock up for the new school year! We will be collecting non-perishable food donations at the front entrance of school **September 3rd through the 9th.** To ensure a variety of donations, we are asking each grade to bring in specific items:

Kindergarten: Applesauce, Canned fruit & vegetables

1st Grade: Peanut Butter & Jelly

2nd Grade: Boxes of cereal, Granola Bars/Crackers

3rd Grade: Jars of Spaghetti Sauce

4th Grade: Pasta- spaghetti noodles, linguini, rotini 5th Grade: Soup, Rice, Beans (cans or bags)

6th Grade: Canned Chicken/Tuna

7th Grade: Boxes of Cereal, Granola Bars/Crackers



8th Grade: Macaroni & Cheese

If your family could use support in the form of a weekly food box, please visit this confidential <u>LINK TO SIGN UP</u>. Have questions or want to volunteer with the food pantry team? Please email Sara Giordana (sara.giordana70@gmail.com)

**Fall Play Auditions** Fall Play Auditions for 3rd-8th Graders will be held on Wednesday Sept. 18 from 7:30-8:40 am and Thursday Sept 19. 4:00-7:00 pm. Audition packets must be picked up prior to auditioning and turned in during your audition time. They will be Available starting Sept. 3rd. Sign Up Here for an audition time.

**Destination Imagination (DI) Update** Thank you to all of the parents and students who attended Tuesday's DI meeting. The DI paperwork is due Wednesday, September 4th by the END OF DAY for those that want to participate. Please return to Mr. L in the STEAM room or Mrs. L in the Drama room. DI practices will begin the week of September 16th.

**Grounds/Irrigation Repairs** We want to acknowledge that our grounds took a major hit this summer while waiting for the district to address irrigation issues. The good news is that the sprinklers are largely up and running. The bad news is that irreparable damage has been done and there are still small repairs that need to be made. To that end, we are interested in finding a parent/family that would be willing to donate their time to fix sprinkler heads, small leaks, etc. We are hoping to find a community member with expertise in this area (as opposed to weekend warriors like Mr. Sanders). If you are interested, please reach out to Mr. Sanders via email. Stay tuned for more ways to help!

**Cell Phone and Social Media Information Group** In today's digital age, it's more important than ever to encourage kids to step away from screens and social media. While technology offers incredible learning opportunities, research shows that too much screen time and early access to social media can lead to negative impacts on mental and physical health. It takes a village so let's tackle these issues together as a school community. Nicole Levine (BR parent to Sam, 5th and Max, 3rd) is an ambassador for the organization Ok to Delay whose mission is to unite educators and parents who share a growing concern about the effects of early and excessive use of social media and smartphones. Resources are available on the Ok to Delay website or, please reach out to Nicole for more information and to get added to the email list for any upcoming informational sessions - nsiegel922@gmail.com.

**Reminder Auction Update** SAVE THE DATE for our annual school auction "A Night Among the Stars," Saturday, October 19th at the Ellie Caulkins Opera House. Stay tuned in the coming



weeks for more details and teasers about live auction items. We can't wait to celebrate our wonderful school with you! If you have any items to donate, or an idea for a business we should reach out to, please let us know! We are specifically looking for Hamilton tickets, Broncos tickets, and mountain home donations for ski season. Email us at Bill Roberts Auction or reach out directly to Katie Wiktor or Sara Porter.

Reminder ELCSports Fall Flag Football Flag Football/Soccer Coaches Wanted! Do you have experience coaching or playing flag football or soccer? Are you passionate about providing youth with great experiences? Join us as an ELCSports Spring 2024 flag football or soccer coach! Check out our <a href="Flag Football">Flag Football</a> and <a href="Soccer">Soccer</a> flyers for more info! QUESTIONS? EMAIL: <a href="Brittany\_Homberg@dpsk12.net">Brittany\_Homberg@dpsk12.net</a> or <a href="ELCSPORTS@DPSK12.NET">ELCSPORTS@DPSK12.NET</a>

**Reminder Book It Bobcats** There are just three weeks left to read for Book It Bobcats! All Bill Roberts students can still participate in our summer reading program. The last day to read is September 13th, and you can report your students' <u>reading hours here</u> by September 15th. Friends and family can sponsor a student <u>using this link</u>, or with a check made out to "Bill Roberts PTA", dropped off at the office in an envelope with your students' names and grades written on it. Join us for the School-wide Book It Bobcats Celebration on Thursday, September 26th. All volunteers must complete a background check, you can <u>register here</u>.

Reminder Girls on the Run REGISTRATION IS OPEN for the Bill Roberts' Girls on the Run team's fall season is open now until Thursday, August 29th. Because demand may exceed the number of spaces available, Girls on the Run of the Rockies will run a lottery for spots on the team Friday, August 30th. Practices will be held Mondays and Thursdays after school from 4-5:30 p.m., starting the week of September 9th and ending the week of November 11th. The cost of the program is \$195, with scholarships available to those who are interested. 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. To learn more, visit this Girls on the Run site. For questions on the Bill Roberts team, email Site Coordinator Alex Foster at aofoster@gmail.com.