

5/16/25

IMPORTANT DATES & UPCOMING EVENTS

5/19 Spirit Week Begins 5/20- DI Global Finals 5/21- Bike and Roll Celebration 5/22-5th/6th Shadow Day 5/23- Food Trucks w/ 5th Graders 5/23- EOY Pep Assemblies 5/26- Memorial Day (no school) 6/3- Last Day of School (12:20p Dismissal)

LINKS!

PTA DEI Committee Parent Resource Bank 2025-26 School Year Calendar Yearbook Sales

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Class Lists Last year, we discussed the process for creating elementary class lists for this school year. We will follow the same process this year in preparation for the 25/26 School Year. Our teachers will participate in 3 rounds of creating their class lists in collaboration with admin, future teachers, special service providers and specials teachers. The goal is to have intentional, balanced classrooms in a variety of ways- gender, race/ethnicity, ALPs/IEPs/504s, etc. Here are a couple points of consideration:

- Parent requests for teacher placement and/or "friend matching" cannot be granted at this time due to sheer amount of requests
- At this time, transition meetings will be teacher initiated if needed. All student plans, needs and strengths will be discussed during colleague transition meetings held this month and in August. Parent requested transition meetings are more appropriate beginning in Mid-September. Again, we are not able to meet the sheer number of requests at this time.
- We will be publishing class lists in early August (after summertime tweaks are made to lists). At that time, a parent request class change form will be shared.

Open Positions The following positions are posted and available so please recruit for us so that we can get the best possible candidates!

- 1.0 GT Coordinator (Mr. Seeney is moving to 5th Grade ELA)
- 1.0 7th/8th Science (Mr. Cloud has accepted a HS Science position)



Bikers/Riders Safety Updates Now that the weather is improving, we are seeing significantly more bike riders (both students and parents). We ask that, for the safety of all of our students, that everyone walks their bikes once they arrive on campus. We will be providing reminders to bike riders in the coming weeks. Thank you for your support!

Tips for a Screen-free (or Screen-reduced!) Summer! The Bill Roberts Safety Committee wishes you a safe and low-tech summer. <u>Click here for ideas!</u> In addition, we'd like to provide some resources for parents to learn more about tech safety.

- Podcast: A Conversation Between Dr Becky Kennedy and Jonathan Haidt
- Book: The Anxious Generation by Jonathan Haidt
- In the News: 9News: Colorado schools districts must have policy to decrease cell phone use by 2026
- Article: Antisocial Century (from The Atlantic)
- Sign the Pledge: Wait Until 8th
- Sample Tech Contract template
- Teen Safe Smart Phones

Reminder Online Registration for the 2025-26 school year is now open!

To register online, please follow these steps:

- 1. Sign in to your Parent Portal.
- 2. Click on "See All Apps."
- 3. Select "Online Registration."
- 4. Click on the three bars in the upper left-hand corner and choose "Online Registration."

To register online through the Campus Portal App, please follow these steps:

- 1. Sign in to the Campus Parent App using your Parent Portal username & password.
- 2. Click on the three bars in the upper left-hand corner to drop down a menu
- 3. Click on "More"

Select "Online Registration."

Reminder School Supply Kits Available for Pre-Order Use the following link to order supplies for the 2025-2026 school year. Supplies will be delivered to the school, and you will be able to pick them up on Meet the Teacher night. Besides the convenience of ordering everything at once, you'll be supporting Bill Roberts! \$5 from each kit is donated to the school. On June 1, prices will increase, so get your orders in now! Ordering link School code: WIL218

Reminder (as if we need it) Tik Tok is the WORST! If you remember "Devious Licks" from a few years ago, there are several more Tik Tok Challenges that are making the rounds. HERE is one example, but it is not the only one. Please talk to your child(ren) about the



importance of thinking about the potential consequences of actions that might be being communicated over social media as "pranks" or "challenges".

Reminder Group Chats We've recently become aware of some concerns related to group chats happening outside of school. Even for our younger students, texts and messaging apps can create confusion or hurt feelings that carry over into the classroom We encourage families to talk with their children about how they use devices, what kinds of messages they're sending and receiving, and how to speak up if something doesn't feel right. This article from Common Sense Media could be a good place to start in terms of information that may be helpful for families.

Reminder 25/26 Updated Cell Phone Policy (Elementary) In an effort to continue our momentum with reducing screen time (and distractions) for our students, please be on the lookout for an updated policy for elementary students that is aligned with our middle school policy (i.e., no cell phones or smart watches allowed during school hours).