



## Principal Message

Dear Parents,

Thanks so much to those of you helping with PTO, Fall Festival, Conference Dinners, the Book Fair, Boo Pop sales, Kindergarten recess duties, Hearing and Vision Screening, the Firehouse, Picture Day, our Title 1 and Parent Update Meetings and all of those other volunteer events! Our Parent Volunteers and PTO are essential to student achievement, school success and community building! We welcome and are grateful to all volunteer!

Did you know that Northridge has reached **PERFORMANCE** instead of Improvement status in one short year because everyone is focusing on high academic achievement by ALL and for ALL?

Did you know that our school goals are for EVERY single child to show 1-2 year's academic growth in reading, writing and math so our students catch-up and keep up with the state expectations?

Did you know that we're increasing the English literacy, academic vocabulary, and sheltered English instruction for all students so that our bilingual students and our English speaking students are grade level proficient in Spanish and English in grade 3?

Did you know that the entire district has a new and more rigorous math program called Math Expressions designed to help US students be more mathematically competitive globally?

Did you know that reading and talking with your child, getting your child to school on time and to school daily as well as letting your child know that hard work and persistence are critical to school success?

Thank you for making learning a priority!  
Lorynda Sampson

## Upcoming Events

Nov 2-Late Start-Students report @ 11:00  
**Parents in Education Night  
5:45 -8 pm free dinner and child care!**

Nov 7-PTO Board Mtg-6:00 pm

Nov 10-Veteran's Day Celebration-2:15

Nov 14-PTO Meeting-6-7:15 pm  
bring a dish to share @ 6:00 and  
meeting @ 6:30 pm.

Nov 17-Winter Concert @ 6:00 pm,  
dress rehearsal 2;15 pm

Nov 21-25 No School-Thanksgiving  
Break

Nov 30-BOLT luncheons

Nov 29-Dec 13-Mid Year Reading  
Assessments

Dec 2- Evacuation Drill @ 9:00

Dec 5-PTO Board Meeting-6:00 pm

Dec 7- Late Start-Students report @ 11:00  
**Parents Involved in Education  
5:45 -8 pm free dinner and child care!**

Dec 8-Vision & Hearing re-check

Dec 12- PTO Meeting-6-7:15 pm  
bring a dish to share @ 6:00 and  
meeting @ 6:30 pm.

Dec 14-BOLT luncheons

Dec 19-Jan 3 Winter Break

Jan 3-PTO Board Meeting 6:00

Jan 4-First Day back for students

Jan 5-PBIS Station review

Jan 9- PTO Meeting-6-7:15 pm  
bring a dish to share @ 6:00 and  
meeting @ 6:30 pm

Jan 18- **Parents Involved in Education  
5:45 -8 pm free dinner and child care!**

Jan 23, 24, 26-Parent/Teacher Conferences

### **NORTHRIDGE MISSION STATEMENT:**

*Northridge Elementary inspires and encourages  
lifelong learning, academic excellence and  
personal integrity within a context of diversity,  
responsibility and respect.*

IMAGINATION MAKERS THEATER COMPANY  
"OUR BEST STORIES"

Is it possible to get your children so excited about writing that they are begging for a pencil and paper? Yes, it is – an Imagination Makers Theater Company's play, "Our Best Stories" does just that! The kid-written stories in this play include amusing tales of a nail-biting roller coaster ride, an unexpected "polar dip", and one boy's good-hearted look at his own misadventures on the football field. Two bilingual kid-authors also write stories utilizing both English and Spanish. Performed by three adult, professional actors and one musician "Our Best Stores" magically brings these stories to life, sparking your child's imaginations and inspiring them to write their own true stories.

We know exposing your child to cultural events can be expensive. Thanks to funds from our school, and a grant from the Boulder County Scientific and Cultural Facilities District, **Imagination Makers performed this play on October 20<sup>th</sup> at our school** at no cost to you. Please feel free to visit the company's website ([www.imaginationmakers.org](http://www.imaginationmakers.org)) to see a short clip of the play too.

Come Learn English or Spanish on the Computers at Northridge  
Elementary School  
Featuring Rosetta Stone  
for school age students, Northridge parents and staff!

When: Every Wednesday 3:25-5:30 (No child care provided)  
The 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month 5:45-7:00 pm (No child care provided)  
During the day M, W, F by appointment with Ellen Sacayon, Family Liaison  
Contact Ellen Sacayon at Northridge 303-772-3040 for more details

**PARENTS INVOLVED IN EDUCATION**

**Open to All St. Vrain Parents**

Where: Northridge Elementary School

FREE Dinner and Childcare, Homework Club Provided-5:45-8:00 pm.

Presented in Spanish with English headset translation available!

Wed. Nov. 2-Embracing Life's Transitions-Youth and Senior Center

Wed. Nov. 16-An Apple a Day- YMCA

Wed. Dec. 7-Whole Body Health-Dental Aid, TEPP, CHP+

It's Free, Fun, and Helpful for Families! Join US!

## Playground and Traffic Safety

There is no supervision outside before 8:15 am. Please do not enter school grounds before 8:15 am unless your child is eating breakfast. The cafeteria doors open at 7:50 am for breakfast.

Thanks for helping keep ALL students safe and for remembering to set a good example by **always** following the traffic expectations on 19<sup>th</sup>, Gay St., in the Hug-and-Go and in the Bus Lane. Thanks for using the crosswalks at **all** times; especially in bad weather.

The bus lane is for buses only. Thanks for remembering NOT to enter the bus lane for student drop-off or pick-up during school hours.

Please remember that it is illegal to double and triple park in the cul-de-sacs or block driveways. Please be kind to neighbors and one another as well as prevent yourself from getting a ticket.

Dropping students off in the middle of the street is prohibited and unsafe. Please park, pull-in or use the Hug and Go Lane. We know that parking is limited during drop-off and pick-up times, why not walk or ride your ride your bikes?

### Communication

Teachers are unable to accept phone calls during student contact times. Please schedule a time to celebrate or discuss concerns during nonstudent contact times. We want to hear from you and make sure you have our attention.

Please talk to the classroom teacher first if there's an issue. If the issue isn't resolved, then contact the school office. Thanks so much!

### OUTDOOR RECESS

We will have outdoor recess most days, in most types of weather. Please make sure that your child brings a coat, hat, gloves and boots in wet or wintry weather. We go outside most days unless the temperature is below 15 degrees and/or is very rainy or snowy. Colorado weather changes quickly and students should come to school prepared to be outside each day.

### **NORTHRIDGE ELEMENTARY R.O.A.R. BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS**

In order to provide and maintain a productive learning atmosphere for ALL, students, staff, parents and guests are expected to demonstrate the following behaviors at all times:

**RESPONSIBILITY  
ORGANIZATION  
ACHIEVEMENT  
RESPECT**

**Way to R.O.A.R at Northridge  
Elementary! 😊**

### **Toys, Electronics, Cell Phones and Money**

Please remember that **all** toys and electronics are to be left at home each and every day. The **ONLY** exception would be for a special event notice sent home from the classroom teacher. We strongly recommend that cell phones stay at home. If they are brought to school, they must remain turned off and in student backpacks at all times. Please do not allow students to bring large amounts of money to school. All of these items cause disruptions to a student's # 1 job-LEARNING!

If these items stay at home, then we don't have to deal with lost, stolen or broken items. Thanks for helping us by checking your child's backpack, coats, and pockets. Thanks for reinforcing that home items belong at home and school items belong at school. Your support makes all the difference! 😊

## REPORT CARD CHANGES AND INFORMATION

- The Standards-Based Report Card provides more detailed feedback to parents regarding the progress their children are making toward specific learning expectations at their grade level.
- The report card allows parents and students to understand more clearly what is expected of students and how to help them be successful in a rigorous academic program.
- The report card provides traditional grades along with scores for each learning expectation addressed in a grading period.
- Learner Expectations (benchmarks) were matched as closely as possible with Grade Level Expectations
- Grading Periods - Teachers will report grades and levels based on student academic performance on the evidence outcomes as related to the Learner Expectations per individual trimester
- Teachers will report grades and levels based on student academic performance on the evidence outcomes as related to the learner expectations per individual trimester.
- Teachers will report grades and levels based on student academic performance on the evidence outcomes as related to the learner expectations per individual trimester.
- Any student who earns a 1 or 2 for a trimester learner expectation will continue to receive instruction in that specific skill. Their performance will then be factored into the next trimester grade.
- Letter grades are based on student academic performance. Grades should not be based on effort.
- Letter grades and independent levels should reflect learner expectation scores.

### **\*\*ATTENDANCE POLICY\*\***

**St. Vrain Valley School Districts policy states that students under age 17 must fulfill the requirements of the compulsory attendance law. The minimum number of unexcused absences a student may incur before judicial proceedings may be initiated to enforce compulsory attendance is four (4) days in a month or ten (10) days by statute during any school year. When a student reaches 12 absences they will no longer be excused without documentation from a health care provider. On the 13<sup>th</sup> absence – the parent/guardian will be asked to meet with school officials to discuss pertinent issues and develop an education plan including an attendance contract.**

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# Northridge Elementary

## Mensaje de la Directora

Estimados Padres,

Cariñosamente,

*Lorynda Sampson*

## Próximos Eventos

Nov 2-Entrada Tarde-Estudiantes se reportan a las 11:00 am

**Noche de Padres en la Educación  
5:45 -8 pm. Se provee comida y cuidado de niños!**

Nov 7 Junta Directiva de -PTO 6:00 pm

Nov 11-Celebración Día de Veteranos  
TBD

Nov 14- Junta de PTO 6-7:15 pm

Traiga un plato para compartir 6:00 y Junta a las 6:30 pm.

Nov 17-Concierto de Invierno 6:00 pm

### **MISIÓN DE NORTHRIDGE:**

*La Escuela Elemental Northridge inspira y promueve un aprendizaje que dure toda la vida, con excelencia académica e integridad personal, dentro de un contexto de diversidad, responsabilidad y respeto.*

Venga y Aprenda Inglés o Español en los Computadores de la Escuela Primaria Northridge

Presentando Rosetta Stone

Para estudiantes en edad escolar, Padres de Northridge y Personal de nuestra Escuela en general!

Cuándo: Todos los Miércoles 3:25-5:30 (No se provee el cuidado de niños)

El 2<sup>do</sup> y 4<sup>to</sup> Martes de cada mes 5:45-7:00 pm (No se provee el cuidado de niños)

Durante el día, lunes, miércoles y viernes con cita previa con nuestro Enlace Familiar Ellen Sacayon.

Más información, contactar Ellen Sacayon en Northridge 303-772-3040

### **PADRES INVOLUCRADOS CON LA EDUCACIÓN**

#### **Charlas Abiertas a Todos los Padres de St. Vrain**

Dónde: Escuela Primaria Northridge

Cena GRATIS, cuidado de niños y club de tareas de 5:45-8:00 pm.

Se ofrecen en Español y con traducción disponible al Inglés por medio de audífonos!

Miércoles Nov. 2-Abrazando Transiciones de la Vida. Centro Juvenil y de La Tercera Edad.

Miércoles Nov. 16-Día de la Manzana- YMCA

Miércoles Dic. 7-Salud Total del Cuerpo, Ayudas Odontológicas, TEPP, CHP+

Únanse a nosotros! Es Gratis, Divertido y Ayuda a nuestras Familias!

### **Juguetes, Aparatos Electrónicos, Celulares y Dinero**

Por favor recuerden que los juguetes y aparatos electrónicos se quedan todos los días en la casa. La ÚNICA excepción sería si previamente el/la maestro/a envía a la casa una notificación por un evento especial. De manera contundente queremos recomendarles que dejen los celulares en las casas. Si los traen a la escuela, estos deben permanecer apagados todo el tiempo dentro de la mochila del estudiante. Por favor, tampoco permita que su estudiante traiga grandes cantidades de dinero a la escuela. Todos estos objetos ocasionan distracciones en el trabajo #1 de los estudiantes –APRENDER! Si estos artículos permanecen en la casa, nosotros no tenemos que manejar pérdidas, robos o daños. Les agradecemos que nos ayuden revisando las mochilas, abrigos y bolsillos de su estudiante. Refuerce que los artículos que están en la casa se quedan en la casa y que los que pertenecen a la escuela permanecen en la escuela.

Su apoyo hace la gran diferencia! 😊

### **\*\*POLÍTICA DE ASISTENCIA\*\***

**La política de asistencia del Distrito del Valle de St. Vrain establece por ley que los estudiantes menores de 17 deben cumplir con el requisito de asistencia obligatoria. El número mínimo de ausencias en el que un estudiante puede incurrir antes de que se le inicien procesos judiciales para aplicar la asistencia obligatoria es 4 cuatro días en un mes o diez 10 días por estatuto durante el año escolar. Cuando un estudiante alcanza 12 ausencias, este ya no será dispensado si no presenta la documentación de un proveedor de atención médica. Sobre la ausencia número 13 – el padre/tutor tendrá que reunirse con funcionarios de la escuela para discutir cuestiones pertinentes al problema y desarrollar un plan de educación el cual incluirá un contrato de asistencia.**

### **El REPORTE NUEVAS-Cambios y Información**

- El reporte de calificaciones basado en los nuevos estándares de Colorado proveen a los padres de una información detallada del progreso de su estudiante en lograr determinadas expectativas de aprendizaje en cada nivel de grado.
- El reporte de Calificaciones le permite a los padres y estudiantes entender más claramente lo que se espera de los estudiantes y cómo ayudarlos a lograr el éxito siguiendo un riguroso programa académico.
- Ofrecer grados tradicionales y resultados para cada objetivo de aprendizaje propuesto en un período académico.
- Expectativas del Nivel de Grado-Estas representan conceptos y habilidades específicas que el estudiante debe saber, siendo estas habilidades y conceptos apropiadamente desarrollados en cada nivel de grado.
- Logro de Objetivos-Que el aprendizaje de cada estudiante tenga sentido y *pruebe* que adquirió el conocimiento.
- Que cada estudiante indique que obtiene el nivel de grado esperado en los conceptos y que los maneja con maestría.
- Marco de nuevas evaluaciones dadas por el estado.
- Grados basados en la adquisición de niveles independientes NO en niveles de instrucción.

## **Patio de Juegos y Medidas de Seguridad con el Tráfico**

No hay supervisión de estudiantes antes de las 8:15 am. Por favor, no ingrese al área de la escuela antes de las 8:15 am a no ser que su estudiante desayune en la escuela. Si este es el caso, las puertas de la cafetería se abren a las 7:50 am.

Gracias por ayudarnos a tomar precauciones de seguridad con TODOS nuestros estudiantes y por recordar que ustedes **siempre** dan el buen ejemplo siguiendo las reglas del tránsito sobre la Avenida 19, la calle Gay, en el área de Dejar y Recoger estudiantes y en el área señalada para los buses. Gracias por utilizar **siempre** los sitios de cruce en calles, especialmente cuando tenemos mal tiempo.

La línea de buses es únicamente para los buses. Gracias por recordar y NO hacer uso de la línea de buses, principalmente durante las horas escolares cuando dejan y recogen estudiantes.

Por favor recuerde que es ilegal aparcarse hacienda dos o tres líneas en los callejones o bloquear las entradas y salidas de las casas. Por favor, sean amables con nuestros vecinos, con ustedes mismos y eviten recibir una multa.

Dejar o recoger estudiantes en la mitad de la calle esta prohibido y además es peligroso. Por favor, estacionese, hágase a un lado, use la línea de Dejar y Recoger estudiantes. Nosotros sabemos que el parqueo de autos es limitado durante las horas de dejar o recoger estudiantes. Sería posible venir caminando o usando sus bicicletas?

### **Comunicaciones**

\*Los maestros no pueden atender llamadas mientras están dando clase. Por favor deje un mensaje o planee una cita con el maestro si necesita hablar con él/ella.

\*Por favor haga arreglos previamente todos los días con su estudiante sobre dónde recogerlo o dejarlo para que no tengamos que interrumpirlo/a en horas de clase. Gracias!

### **SALIDAS AL RECREO**

La mayoría de los días vamos a tener recreo afuera del edificio de la escuela y en todo tipo de condiciones climáticas. Por favor, asegúrense que su estudiante traiga chamarra, gorro, guantes y botas para el invierno. Los estudiantes van casi siempre al patio de recreo a menos que esté lloviendo, nevando o que la temperatura esté por debajo de 15 grados. El clima de Colorado cambia rápidamente y los estudiantes deben estar preparados para ir al campo de recreo todos los días.

### **EXPECTATIVAS DEL COMPORTAMIENTO R.O.A.R EN NORTHRIDGE**

Para proveer y mantener un ambiente con un aprendizaje productivo para TODOS, los estudiantes, personal de la escuela, padres e invitados deben demostrar el siguiente comportamiento todo el tiempo:

**RESPONSABILIDAD  
ORGANIZACIÓN  
APROVECHAMIENTO  
RESPECTO**  
Adelante Northridge R.O.A.R

