

Bear Valley International

Family Newsletter

February 2023

Yeti Spotlight!

Last week Ms. Jenners's 6th grade Individuals and Societies class...

Students prepared for weeks to debate the +/- impacts #trade and #tourism has had on the Caribbean and Central American countries.

⁹ They thoughtfully crafted unique arguments about how more farmland or a new resort would continue to change the economy and culture.

Hoday, trade took the W twice and tourism won in the last debate.

A Thank you to our families and staff who served as our judging panel.

Ms. Jenners is so proud of our scholars and their knowledge they communicated



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Attendance-

In order for your student to be excused, you must call the main number 720-423-9600 and leave a detailed message on the attendance line. Or email us at <u>bvoffice@dpsk12.org</u> Thank you!

Upcoming Events FEBRUARY

Feb 6 & 7 - 7th grade screening Feb 20-President's Day NO SCHOOL Feb 21- Staff planning, NO SCHOOL

MARCH

Mar 7 - Choir Concert @ 530pm Mar 8 - Band Concert @ Mar 9-End of Quarter Mar 10-BVIS PD Day, No Students Mar 27-31- Spring Break

APRIL

Apr 3- PD Day, No Students April 17-21- CMAS Early Release @130pm

MAY

May 8- BVIS PD, No Students May 24 - Continuation for 8th grade May 26- Last Day 6th & 7th Students

From the Nurse

7th Grade Hearing & Vision Screening are coming February 6th and February 7th.

Please email Nurse Katie directly if you would like to opt your child out for this free service.

Important Announcements

Attendance MATTERS

Please join the Mental Health and Wellness Team on Tuesday, February 7th from 8:00-8:45 for coffee, bagels, and a conversation about why attendance matters in middle school.

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Join the Mental Health and Wellness Team Tuesday February 7th, 2023 8:00am-8:45am Bagels and Coffee will be provided

Community Resource & Fentanyl Information Education Night

Join us to learn about available community resources, followed by an informational session on fentanyl, featuring a panel of experts who will answer questions from the community and discuss how to educate yourselves and your children.

Date: Wednesday, February 8

Time: From 5-7 pm Location: John F. Kennedy High School 2855 S. Lamar St. Denver CO, 80207



Hello 8th Grade families-

Our 8th grade team is looking forward to celebrating our 8th grade students during continuation week! As a reminder, continuation week will be from Friday May 19th-Wednesday May 24th. While we are still planning some of the details and logistics of this week, it is important to remember the eligibility requirements. In order to participate, students need to have completed their iCAP, have no D's or F's quarter 4, above 92% attendance and no major or repeated behavior incidents. Please know that these requirements are directly aligned to monthly progress reports.

As of right now, one date to save is Wednesday May 24th at 6pm for our continuation ceremony at JFK high school!

We know that attendance percentages are sometimes out of your control. Students and families will be offered several opportunities to unofficially raise their attendance percentages. Students will receive a 0.5 point attendance increase for every working lunch they attend, 1.0 points for attending after school tutoring on Mondays or Thursdays and 3.0 points for each Saturday school they attend. Here are the following Saturday school dates:

- February: 25th
- **March**: 18th
- April: 8th
- April: 22nd
- **May**: 6th
- May: 13th

If you, your family or friends are interested in donating to make continuation week extra special, our team would GREATLY appreciate it. Please contribute using the link below: https://colund.me/al23dice

Student Shout Outs!!

- ★ 8th Grade- Thien Nguyen- He is always so observant and aware of those around him. He looks at the glass half full.
- ★ 8th Grade- Janessa Valle-Observed her being so helpful, patient and kind to Ms Shannon's students teaching volleyball
- ★ 6th Grade Ryder WinstoncRyder showed resilience toughing out his cold at school and basketball!
- ★ 6th Grade Ezra LozanoHe is always positive and kind
- ★ 6th Grade Tristian Medina Tristain has been a model student in Language Arts. He is extremely focused during his Independent Reading time. He follows along closely during our lesson, and is willing to raise his hand to participate. He is making a HUGE effort to be his best possible self.
- ★ 6th Grade Frankie Gonzalez He did a great job asking thoughtful questions and staying on task in Language Arts today (1/11)!
- ★ 8th Grade Serenity Pacheco They're on time, kind, respectful, and ask questions in class. Totally turned things around.
- ★ 6th Grade Kai Hase They are always thoughtful and reflective. I love running into them in the hallway during passing period or after school! So glad they are part of our community.
- ★ 6th Grade Devante Martinez he is SUCH a bright light in the Bear Valley community! He always has a smile on his face. He is kind hearted and brings joy to everyone he interacts with!
- ★ 6th Grade Mattaeo Gutierrez Mattaeo has shown up after winter break ready to learn! Even when he isn't interested in doing an activity, he challenges himself to complete it and show off his amazing knowledge and skills. Go Mattaeo!!!
- ★ 7th Grade Thomas Kreinbrink Thomas is kind (on purpose). He has an incredible work ethic when it comes to math and is fun to be around.
- ★ 7th Grade Sophia BeltranEvery time I go into Mr Morty's room, Sophia is working diligently by putting pencil to paper and learning from her teachers' feedback and any mistakes she might make! Keep it up Sophie, you're incredible!
- ★ 6th Grade Caleb Rauch He is really trying hard to learn Spanish and cares about his grades. He participates in all DO NOWS.
- \star 6th Grade 🔰 Jolina Vallejo Jolina is always eager to participate and is always kind.
- ★ 7th Grade Miguel Gonzalez Miguel has been doing an amazing job in Math. He gets started right away and has shown success because of it...Way to go Miguel!
- ★ 8th Grade Gilbert Medina He has made a HUGE turn around since the time he has arrived at BVIS. He has made such positive changes. He stays to himself and takes accountability and responsibility with his academics. Gilbert has shown amazing improvement since he has came and I can not be more proud!
- ★ 6th Grade Evelyn Wambold Evelyn shared a dissenting viewpoint in Mr Mantell's room during a long division problem, where she eloquently turned a division problem into a real world division problem, citing gasoline and cars as an example. Beautifully done! I think math really is your fav subject! Mr Munn
- ★ 6th Grade Hunter Winckler Hunter was so helpful at our 1st prospective family open house! Mama Yeti appreciates you!

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- ★ 6th Grade Ashley Guzman Luna Ashley was so helpful at our 1st prospective family open house! Mama Yeti appreciates you!
- ★ 6th Grade Elena Munoz-Twaddell Elena led her class in a wonderful discussion about the difficult things experienced by both characters in our new novel. She reminds students to use the correct pronouns, she respects the nuances of the conversations we have, and she's always gentle and kind.
- ★ 8th Grade Kien Ngo He is always on task, kind, respectful, and involved
- ★ 7th Grade Kloee Portales Kloee is always working hard, participating, and doing exactly what she is supposed to be doing. I asks questions to help her understand more and is always working willing to help her classmates

Resources and Information from DPS



The Round 1 of the SchoolChoice for the 2023-2024 school year is open and will close on Tuesday Feb 14th. All current ECE, 5th grade and 8th grade families must fill out this form to make their 23-24 school choice known. Click <u>HERE</u> to learn all about the DPS Choice process!

If your child is a current 6th or 7th grader this year no action is required as we have already held a seat for them next year!



At each of our grade level exit doors we have non-perishable bags from our partners at <u>Food For Thought</u> for scholars to take home to help fill their pantry. All are welcome to come to the main office any time 7-2pm to pick up bags directly.

Hello From Harvey Park Recreation Center located @ 2120 S. Tennyson Way, Denver 80219 Check our <u>website</u> for more information and calendars !

Airbrush is BACK and FREER than ever Thursdays, February 2 nd and 16 th 4:00-5:00pm ages 8-11 5:30-6:30pm ages 12-18 Space is limited, sign up today!	There are also a couple openings in our Valentine's Day craft on Friday, February 10 th from 4:30-6:30pm \$5.00 ages 5-14