

December 6, 2021

Dear CCA families,

This week will be colder; please remember to send coats, hats, and mittens with your student for recesses. Later today, you will be receiving the mid-year survey from the Accountability Committee. Please keep an eye out for that survey and take a few minutes to respond. Thank you.

**CARDINAL KEY:** *Our Cardinal Key for December is **COMMITMENT:** Make your dreams happen. Take positive action. Follow your vision without wavering. Commitment is the breathtaking moment of making a compelling decision, jumping in, and going forward with gusto. Once a commitment is made, indecision is eliminated—there is no more “Should I or shouldn’t I?” ... “Will I or won’t I?” A commitment is not made lightly—it’s about making a decision so strong that there is no going back ... like a skydiver who has jumped from the plane!*

**Emergency Weather Closure Information:**

As we transition into wintery weather, CCA families should know that CCA will follow RE3j if the district chooses to delay or close school. In addition, CCA can call our own delay or closure. In the event of a delay or closure, you will receive a notification and see the announcement on our website. If we have to close school early due to inclement weather, we will notify families as soon as the decision has been made. Please make arrangements if you are not able to get to CCA during an emergency dismissal. As student safety is always our priority, we monitor the weather and road conditions to make the best decisions.

**NJHS Holiday Gift Drive:**

The NJHS will be doing a Holiday Gift Drive from now until Christmas break! The gifts will go to local families, as well as, families in need throughout Weld County. We have asked each of the students to write a gift suggestion on paper trees. These trees will be hung up in the windows of the school office as each gift is brought in. You will be able to see how many gifts we have received as you drive through the driveline! If you are interested in donating a gift for a child in need, please choose a gift and bring it to the school before December 17th. There will be a box outside the front door of the school each morning and afternoon for gifts to be dropped off, or you may bring them into the office. We ask that the gifts not be wrapped. Ask your student what suggestion they wrote down for a gift for someone their age for ideas. Thank you for helping us make a child in need have a brighter Christmas this year! Questions? Contact Stacey Dinges at [staceydinges@re3j.com](mailto:staceydinges@re3j.com).

### **Christmas Programs Return!**

*"The best way to spread Christmas cheer is singing loud for all to hear."* – Buddy the Elf

**3-8th grade students** will be spreading lots of holiday cheer on December 16th at 6pm when our Christmas program returns! At the Weld Central High School Auditorium 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade classes, as well as middle school choir and band students will perform holiday favorites for you. Everyone is welcome to share in the holiday spirit and celebrate their work.

**K-2 students** will have their program in the CCA gym on December 17th at 2pm right before the Christmas parties. Families are welcome and we invite you to bring your chairs for a comfortable (and spaced out) place to sit.

### **Summer Fun:**

Camp Invention is officially coming back next summer! Dates are June 20-24 at Hudson Elementary. Sign-ups have already begun. If you sign up before December 31 you can use the promo code GIFT35 and save \$35 off registration. The link to register is below. Hope to see some new faces this summer along with the familiar faces who have attended in the past!

<https://invent-web.ungerboeck.com/programsearch/moreinfo.aspx?event=3682>

### **COVID Update:**

Weld county continues to see an increase in positivity rates and hospitalization. We ask that you continue to follow guidance regarding Covid and if your child is sick, please keep them home. Feel free to contact me, Crystal at [crystalbydalek@re3j.com](mailto:crystalbydalek@re3j.com) or our new nurse, Brook at [brooknighswonger@re3j.com](mailto:brooknighswonger@re3j.com) if you have questions regarding Covid guidelines for schools and students.

### **Upcoming Events**

- December 10th: PTO @ 5:30 in the library or on Zoom
- December 16th: 3-8th grade Christmas Concert @ 6pm at WCHS auditorium
- December 17th: K-2nd grade Christmas Concert @ 2pm in the CCA Gym families welcome.
- December 17th: Christmas parties @ 2:45 more information from your teacher or middle school classroom liaisons.
- December 23rd-31st: Christmas break
- January 4th: 2nd semester starts/students return

Sincerely,

Maureen Lockette