



December 2020

# Pirate Pages

## Cache La Poudre Elementary School

3511 W. Cty. Rd. 54G  
LaPorte, CO 80535

**Principal**  
Landus Boucher

**Vice Principal**  
Colleen Worman

### General Information

#### Office Hours

7:30am - 3:30pm

#### Phone Numbers

Office 488-7600

Fax 488-7676

#### Attendance Line

490-3070

*\*If your child is ill or will not be at school, please leave a message on the Attendance line.*

#### School Hours

8:10am - 2:55pm

Supervision begins at 7:55am

#### Preschool

8:10am - 2:55pm

#### Website

<https://cpe.psdschools.org>



## Principal's Message

December already! At the end of last month many of us paused to take a breath and be grateful. In education we are grateful for the opportunities to impact young lives. We are grateful to our community for partnering with us to support our students.



We've almost completed the first half of the year. Students, staff and families have been working extremely hard under new and changing conditions! Together we are working to ensure that students have what they need to continue to make growth and feel supported. We need your help making sure our students are at school every day, on time whether that is in the classroom or online. One of the keys to the success of your child is regular attendance and engagement. Please help us monitor attendance and support your child to be engaged in the lessons. We know how important our time is with our students and hope to make the most of every minute we can connect with them.

We wish all our CLPE families a safe and happy holiday season! The holiday season can be a time of joy and excitement, but we know it can also be a busy and stressful time for students and families. One of the best and most memorable gifts you can give your children is the gift of time. Sit down to a meal together or have a family game night. Tell stories and laugh together! These activities and good memories will last far longer than toys or video games will. During

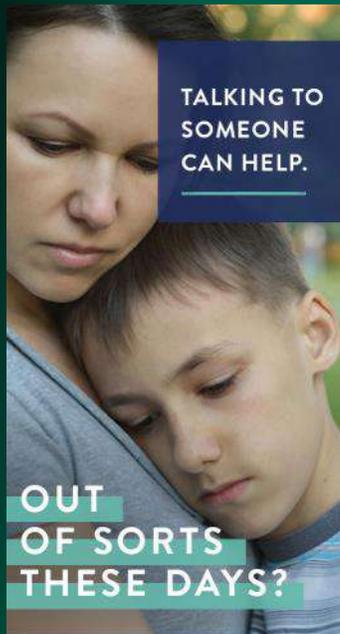
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### Principal's Message

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winter break it is also important that students take time to continue being inquisitive and curious every day. Make learning fun by tying it into your daily routine so students understand the importance of education.

CLPE would like to thank all families for being involved with their children's progress. We are further grateful to the community for providing the resources for teachers, parents, and students. And as the holiday season advances, we would like to wish the very best to all our educational partners. We are so grateful for our families and community who continue to pivot, and problem solve with us. Together we are Pirate Strong.

♡ Landus

### School Pictures

School pictures will be delivered around the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of December. We will most likely have a materials pickup day when classroom materials will be distributed as well as pictures that were ordered. If your child did not get their picture taken -and you want pictures for Christmas, you may email [staff@Skillmanphotography.com](mailto:staff@Skillmanphotography.com) to request pictures taken in their studio. They will send you an online order form and information about getting your child's picture taken. Skillman Photography will need to follow COVID guidelines and parking and space is limited. Only one child/parent will be allowed in the studio at a time and order forms must be filled out and ready to hand in before pictures are taken. Retakes will most likely be scheduled here at school sometime in the new year when we are back in person.

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In response to the challenges many PSD families are experiencing this year, PSD's Department of Language, Culture and Equity and McKinney-Vento team are working to serve the rising needs of the community. Please see the link below for information on several different resources available to the PSD community.

[https://www.psdschools.org/News/HelpPSDStudents\\_Homelessness](https://www.psdschools.org/News/HelpPSDStudents_Homelessness)

If you need more information, please contact our office at 970-488-7600.

### Attendance

Even though the school is going completely remote, we are required to keep track of attendance. Please call the attendance line if your student will not make the morning online meeting. Remember that attendance is taken at the morning meeting and if your child does not attend, he/she will be marked absent. If we receive a call or email regarding the absence, then it will be an excused absence. Our attendance line is 970-490-3070. Absences can also be reported in Parentvue. Please leave a comment about why your student will not be attending or will be tardy to online classes.

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## Back to School Again-Online

Tips for Successful Online Learning—from USA Today-Kanna Zaiets & Janet Loehrke

- Create a space for online learning that is free from distractions as much as possible. Limit use of other devices when engaged in virtual learning such as ipads, smartphones, xbox, playstations and even favorite toys that may make it more difficult for children to focus.
- Try to get children on the same schedule they had when they were going into school. That means the same wake-up time. Have kids start schoolwork at the same hour they used to start classes.
- Try to maintain a planner to keep track of all school activities and homework. Use a calendar and write down the schedule, color code specials classes and the times your child needs to check in online. Plan ahead and get devices ready to check in online. Keep usernames and passwords close by in case they are needed to login.

### Brain breaks for online learning

- Higher levels of screen time are associated with a variety of health harms, such as obesity and depression. Small amounts of daily screen use are not harmful and may have some benefits.
- It may be hard for some kids to sit through an entire class. Some children might need more frequent breaks than others. Include "brain breaks" in between learning. A young child may need a quick break after staying on a task for five to 25 minutes, said Linda Carling, an associate research scientist at the Johns Hopkins University School of Education Center for Technology in Education.

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**Back to School Again-Online***continued***Brain breaks for online learning** continued

- Allowing time for exercise before your child is expected to focus on learning might be a good idea. Repeated physical activity during school [can improve children's attention](#). Exercise is one of the best ways to reduce stress and prevent anxiety. You may consider having the computer on a raised surface as some children better focus on tasks when standing.

**Provide positive feedback**

- Many children miss receiving reinforcement and reassurance from teachers and counselors. Building a reward system can help maintain motivation. After kids complete a task or finish a class, consider praising them.
- Putting a check mark, star or sticker on a work assignment can go a long way to encourage a kid. Other options that may work well with younger kids are giving a sweet treat, allowing playtime with a favorite toy or an extra 15 minutes to play before bedtime. For high schoolers, watching a movie or getting extra tablet time might be a good reward.

**Have a conversation about learning**

- Discuss your child's learning with them. Have them explain what they are learning and how it relates to their everyday life. Research suggests that some types of parental participation have a greater impact on children's academic achievement than others. One [analysis showed](#) that schoolchildren benefit from discussions about learning and school-related issues with their parents and from joint readings.
- Keep open communication with your child's teacher and let them know what is working or not working for your child. Keep teacher emails close by to communicate with them.

To read the entire article, go to <https://tinyurl.com/yxbbuvhc>

**Meals**

Curbside lunches for students will continue up to December 18<sup>th</sup>, the last day before the holiday break. They will be available between 11am-1pm at CLPE.

## School of Choice

The 2021-22 school choice application is now open.

- The first consideration application period will close on Friday, January 15, 2021 at noon MT
- Submitted applications will receive a confirmation email from noreply@psdschools.org. If you do not receive a confirmation email, it means you did not properly submit your student's application. To finalize the submission process, please access your account in [Smart Choice™](#).
- **Students who intend to remain at their current school choice school for the 2021-22 school year do not need to reapply.**
- Families that have moved out of the CLPE attendance area during the 2020-2021 school year will need to apply for school of choice for the 2021-2022 school year unless

## Technology issues?

If your child is having trouble with their laptop, there are many resources online to help solve them. Go to the link below. You can get many questions answered and even see ways you may correct the problem at home. <https://techportal.psdschools.org/>

**Still having troubles, call the tech support line at 490-3339**



Courage does not always roar. Sometimes it's the quiet voice at the end of the day saying:

"I will try again tomorrow"



## Music Notes

### Returning to Remote Music Class

During Phase one, from now until winter break, students will join Google Meets for music each week. Please make sure your student keeps track of the drumsticks and packets that were sent home (and popsicle sticks for first grade). These materials will be needed during online music classes, and will need to be returned to school whenever we are back in person. Fourth and fifth graders should keep their at-home recorder close at hand, too. If your student is missing any of the materials, please contact me so we can brainstorm the best way to get things to you.



### Music Classes through Google Meets

We will continue to meet using Google Meets during any remote learning. Meets can be accessed through the Google Classroom and/or via the links on the learning pages. I will be resetting links each week, and the link will not be visible until about 5 minutes before music class. This helps maintain my ability to manage the Google meeting. Anytime that your student has trouble accessing the Google meeting, it is a good idea to try logging out and back in, clearing the cache on your browser/computer, or restarting the computer. You can always email or text me ([mflail@psdschools.org](mailto:mflail@psdschools.org) or 222-8007) and I will get back to you as soon as I can, but this may not be during that meeting time. Thanks for your efforts and patience!

### Quaver Music Reminder

Our district has a special license and website for accessing student accounts through Quaver Music. These accounts are automatically created by our district technology team, and you do not need to create a username or password. Be sure to visit [www.tinyurl.com/PSDQuaver](http://www.tinyurl.com/PSDQuaver) and sign in using your student's PSD email and password. If you are asked to answer Yes or No, click No. Then you should be at the student dashboard, where your student can explore items like the "Creatives" and/or click "Assignments" to complete outside work.

PLEASE NOTE: DO NOT access Quaver through the Quaver website-it won't work with our special logins/accounts. Be aware that when you "Sign Out" from your Quaver account, you will be automatically sent to the main Quaver page, but that page will not work for your PSD login. You can click the tinyurl link in my emails, or the Quaver button on the home page of Mrs. Flail's Learning Page. You can also bookmark the page when you are logged in! Let me know if you have questions or problems.



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## Music Notes

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### Music Programs:

We still do not know whether in-person performances will be possible this school year, but it seems unlikely. We will continue to monitor the health situation and the music safety recommendations to determine what will be possible. If we are able to have some sort of in-person performance, it will likely be shorter than during a normal year, due to our lessened ability to practice singing together at this time. If we are unable to perform in-person, we will work to create some sort of virtual performance, depending on available technology and time for editing. Thanks for your patience and understanding!

**Thank you** for your efforts in supporting your students in all areas of remote learning. We appreciate you all SO much!

**As always, please contact me** with any questions or concerns.

Melissa Flail

## Easy Ways to Help CLPE:



**Morning Fresh Milk Caps are still welcome here at CLPE! Ring bell out front and we will come and collect them from you!**

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## ART Class

Between October 18 and December 11 we welcome a student teacher, Mrs. Helbert, from CSU who has been observing and teaching in the art room. She will continue to join in teaching art during remote learning!



### What's New in the Art Room?

- Google Meet links will be available on Mrs. Awsumb-Conn's learning page.
- SeeSaw links will be available on the home page and grade level pages of Mrs. Awsumb-Conn's learning page.

### Here is what students have been working on!:

**Kindergarten-** Story Quilts as inspired by author and illustrator Faith Ringgold

**1st Grade-** Tissue Paper Collages

**2nd Grade-** Collaboration Sticks for Me-Oh-My Coffee and Pie!

**3rd & 4th Grade-** Optical Illusion Wormies and watercolor techniques

**5th Grade-** Optical Illusion Wormies

### Look for at home learning In December:

**Kindergarten-** Clay Foods (Materials sent home)

**1st & 2nd Grade-** Perspective Drawings

**3rd Grade-** Watercolor Still Life & Colorado Colors Collaboration

**4th Grade-** Watercolor Still Life & Colorado Colors Collaboration

**5th Grade-** Value Drawings

### Turning in artwork during remote learning:

While we are in remote learning, work will be turned in digitally through either SeeSaw or Google Classroom. More information will be shared in Google Meets or email.



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## December Lunch Menu

Poudre School District R-1				
Poudre School District K-12 Lunch - Fall Sack				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p><b>Nov 30</b></p> <p>Cheese Calzone +Marinara X2 Sandwich, Deli Turk&amp;Chz Applesauce &amp; Fruit Cup, or Sub Carrots &amp; Celery 1 cup or Sub Yogurt Chocolate Milk</p>	<p><b>Dec 1</b></p> <p>Pizza, Cheese 8 ct Yogurt Parfait w/ Cheese Berries Fresh 1 cup or Sub Snap Peas &amp; Red Peppers, or Sub Yogurt Chocolate Milk</p>	<p><b>Dec 2</b></p> <p>Chicken Nuggets Cold Deli PBJ (+chz&amp;GF) Pear, Fresh Tomatoes &amp; Celery 1 cup or Substitute Yogurt Chocolate Milk</p>	<p><b>Dec 3</b></p> <p>Cheeseburger ColdDeli Yogurt+ Goldfish,cocoa cherry bar Grapes Fresh 1cup or Sub Salad w/ Dressing 1.5cup or Substitute Yogurt Chocolate Milk</p>	<p><b>Dec 4</b></p> <p>Chicken Patty Sandwich Cold Deli PBJ (+chz&amp;GF) Whole Fruit 1 cup, or Sub Broccoli Fresh 1cup or Substitute Yogurt Chocolate Milk</p>
<p><b>Dec 7</b></p> <p>Cheese Ravioli w/Goldfish Sandwich, Deli Ham&amp;Chz Grapes Fresh 1cup or Sub Snap Peas &amp; Red Peppers, or Sub Yogurt Chocolate Milk</p>	<p><b>Dec 8</b></p> <p>Pizza, Pepperoni 8 ct Yogurt Parfait w/ Cheese Applesauce &amp; Fruit Cup, or Sub Carrots &amp; Celery 1 cup or Sub Yogurt Chocolate Milk</p>	<p><b>Dec 9</b></p> <p>Burrito, Chicken HS Sandwich, Deli Ham&amp;Chz Berries Fresh 1 cup or Sub Broccoli Fresh 1cup or Substitute Yogurt Chocolate Milk</p>	<p><b>Dec 10</b></p> <p>Macaroni &amp; Cheese EI/MS Cold Deli PBJ (+chz&amp;GF) Pear, Fresh Tomatoes &amp; Cucumbers 1 cup or Substitute Yogurt Chocolate Milk</p>	<p><b>Dec 11</b></p> <p>Chicken Drumstick &amp;Goldfish Cold Deli PBJ (+chz&amp;GF) Whole Fruit 1 cup, or Sub Salad w/ Dressing 1.5cup or Substitute Yogurt Chocolate Milk</p>
<p><b>Dec 14</b></p> <p>Pizza, Cheese 8 ct Cold Deli PBJ (+chz&amp;GF) Berries Fresh 1 cup or Sub Carrots &amp; Celery 1 cup or Sub Yogurt Chocolate Milk</p>	<p><b>Dec 15</b></p> <p>Cheese Calzone +Marinara X2 Sandwich, Deli Turk&amp;Chz Whole Fruit 1 cup, or Sub Snap Peas &amp; Red Peppers, or Sub Yogurt Chocolate Milk</p>	<p><b>Dec 16</b></p> <p>Cheeseburger Yogurt Parfait w/ Cheese Pear, Fresh Tomatoes &amp; Cucumbers 1 cup or Substitute Yogurt Chocolate Milk</p>	<p><b>Dec 17</b></p> <p>Chicken Strips &amp; Goldfish Sandwich, Deli Turk&amp;Chz Grapes Fresh 1cup or Sub Salad w/ Dressing 1.5cup or Substitute Yogurt Chocolate Milk</p>	<p><b>Dec 18</b></p> <p>Chicken Drumstick &amp;Goldfish Cold Deli PBJ (+chz&amp;GF) Whole Fruit 1 cup, or Sub Broccoli Fresh 1cup or Substitute Yogurt Chocolate Milk</p>

Nov 19, 2020