

ELDORADO ELEMENTARY

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Julie Crawford Principal

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School Hours

Soft Start (doors open) 8:30AM
First Bell - 8:35AM
Tardy Bell - 8:40AM
End Time - 3:30PM
End Time for Half Day AM
Kindergarten - 11:40AM

Office Hours

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

303-387-6325 (main office)

303-387-6327 (attendance)

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From the desk of the Principal....

Dear Eldorado Community.

As we begin the 2022-23 school year, I want to partner with you in your child's education. We value, appreciate, and seek your involvement and collaboration for your child's success. We are asking all parents to help us ensure their children's regular, on-time attendance at school. We monitor attendance closely because research has shown that regular attendance is vital for children's success in school. Did you know that research says:

- 1 in 5 Colorado students is chronically absent.
- In ninth grade, attendance is a better predictor than test scores that a student will leave before completing high school.
- An average of nearly 113,000 Colorado students are habitually truant during the school year.

Also, Students who miss at least **10% of school days** are more likely to face <u>reading difficulties</u> by third grade, less likely to <u>earn a high school diploma</u> and are at <u>higher risk of juvenile delinquency</u>. Chronically absent children in preschool, kindergarten and first grade are much less likely to read at grade level by the third grade. Students who cannot read at grade level by the end of third grade are four times more likely than proficient readers to drop out of high school.

Colorado law states that absences are excused only if the child is ill or there is an excuse that meets the requirements of our <u>Compulsory School Attendance Law</u>. Even excused absences that cause your child to miss significant amounts of school can cause your child to fall behind in class. Our goal is to have all children present in school every day and on time.

I look forward to working with you in a meaningful partnership for your child. We will work very hard with you to ensure that your child receives the best education possible. We depend on you and want to thank you for entrusting us with your child. To provide an outstanding education, your child must maintain excellent attendance. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Mrs. Hawk or me.

Thank you,
Julie Crawford

Mission Statement

At Eldorado Elementary, we focus on the whole student and believe that every child has the capacity to be successful physically, intellectually, emotionally and socially. We are dedicated to providing opportunities that help children recognize and capitalize on their individual strengths. Eldorado Elementary students are ready to take ownership of their learning and change the world!



Upcoming Important Dates



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Culture Corner: Germany

Eldorado is fortunate to have many cultures represented in our school. Multicultural classrooms help all our students gain a broader understanding of the world, improves critical thinking, promotes creativity, and prepares students for citizenship at home and globally. Each month we'll feature one of our school's cultures here in the Culture Corner!

Cultural Spotlight: Germany is a large country in central Europe. Its northern border lies along the North Sea and the Baltic Sea. It is known for beautiful areas that are popular with vacationers. People enjoy skiing and other winter sports in the mountains in southern Germany. Many visitors enjoy boat rides along the Rhine River in western Germany. Grand castles atop steep cliffs overlook the river. From 1949 to 1990, Germany was divided into two parts, West Germany and East Germany. In October 1990, the two parts united to form a single nation.

Language: German or Deutsch is the official language of Germany. It is considered one of the major languages of the world.

Practice German greetings

Practice German introductions

Practice German Thank you & You're welcome

Fun Facts:

- The gummy bear originated in Germany, where it is popular under the name Gummibär
- Southwestern Germany has a mountainous region called the Black Forest. It is named for its thick forests of dark fir and spruce trees. The Black Forest appears in many German fairy tales. It is believed that the cuckoo clock was first invented and made by crafters in the Black Forest region.
- Germany was the first to adopt daylight saving time on May 1, 1916, during World War I as a way to conserve fuel.

Let's celebrate! The Oktoberfest (also called Wiesn) is a German festival that takes place on the Theresienwiese, a public place in the center of Munich, Bavaria. It takes place every year, in late September and early October. It is a big social event. The first Oktoberfest was on October 12, 1810. The feast was for the wedding of King Ludwig I of Bavaria and Therese of Sachsen-Hildburghausen. The feast lasted for 5 days. There was music, eating and drinking. At the end of it there was a big horse-race. Oktoberfest is the world's largest fair, and it has become very famous and popular. About six million people visit it every year. Many people and tourists from all over the world go to Munich for Oktoberfest. Other cities have copied the Oktoberfest, and now they also hold events that are similar to the original Oktoberfest.

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Culture Corner: Germany, continued...

Featured Author: Eric Carle is an author and illustrator of more than 70 books for young children including his most well-known title The Very Hungry Caterpillar! He was born in Syracuse, New York, in 1929 to German immigrants. In 1935 when he was six years old he moved to Germany with his parents. He was educated there, and graduated from the prestigious art school, the Akademie der bildenden Künste. However, his dream was always to return to America, the land of his happiest childhood memories. When he was 23 years old he was finally able to return back to the United States where he eventually became the award winning author we enjoy today! Visit Eric Carle's website.

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German Culture in Colorado:

- Helga's in Aurora
- <u>Edelweiss</u> in Colorado Springs
- Wimberger in Colorado Springs
- History Colorado
- Do you know of any German cultural resources in Colorado? Share and let us know!



PTO News of the Month



Papa Johns Restaurant Night | Tuesday, October 25th - 10 AM to 10 PM | Link

PTO Website

SAC/PTO '22-'23 Agenda Minutes Link



Students of the Month - September

Kindergarten



Skye Mumford

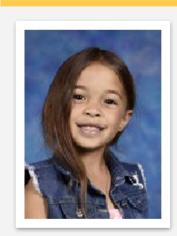


Norah Gomez



Landon Van Woensel

1st Grade

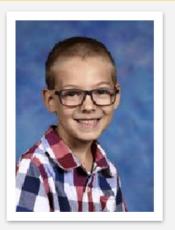


Sky Krazan

1st Grade



Liam Withers



Hudson Allen

2nd Grade



Savannah Rogers



Rebecca Wangsness

3rd Grade



Calli Newton



Elise Lisser



Rylan Cheek

Students of the Month - September, continued...

4th Grade







Hannah Anderson

5th Grade



Rylee Noi



Carson Parrish

5th Grade



James Carroll



Zander Schaerer

6th Grade



Luke Perez



Charlie Tapp

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