



Message from the PTO

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Please note: We are currently in the process of updating our communications email list for the 2018/2019 school year. Thus, you may still be receiving this newsletter as the parent of an outgoing 5th grader (or may not receive this if you are new to Cottonwood)! Our apologies for any inconvenience this may cause you.

UPCOMING COTTONWOOD EVENTS AT A GLANCE...



COTTONWOOD CHECK-IN DAY IS THURSDAY, AUGUST 9TH

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Cottonwood check-in will take place on **Thursday, August 9th** from 12:00 p.m. to 4:30. **Please note:** The Popsicle Meet & Greet with your teachers will take place on the SAME DAY, from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Please follow the below schedule for your check-in time:

Last names beginning with A-H 12:00-1:30pm

Last names beginning with I-Q 1:30-3:00pm

Last names beginning with R-Z 3:00-4:30pm

At check-in, you will have the opportunity to:

- Receive your child's teacher assignment
- Meet with the school nurse, and drop off your child's medication and immunization record
- Order your Cottonwood Caller School Directory
- Purchase Cottonwood Creek Spirit Wear
- Confirm your School Supply Order
- Sign up for Fall Cottonwood Parties
- Learn about Cottonwood Clubs
- Learn more about the PTO and Volunteer Opportunities

The Teacher Meet and Greet is a fun opportunity for everyone to come to school, see friends, meet your teacher for this year at your grade-level exterior doors, and learn where your grade-level will line up on the first day of school. Kindie students will meet their teachers during the screening process. We hope to see you all there!

Reminder: As part of August Check-In, all Cougar parents were required to complete the Cherry Creek School District online check-in process by the end of the day on August 3. By now, you should have received an email from Cherry Creek Schools with a link to complete your child(ren)'s online check-in. Teacher assignments will not be given out until your online check-in is complete. Additionally, students will not be allowed to attend class without completed admissions forms. Please contact the COT Office during August if you need assistance completing the CCSD online process. **Also, make sure to mark YES/OPT IN to make sure you are on the list to receive communications from the PTO.

PTO ONLINE CHECK-IN OPENS TONIGHT, 8/5 at 8:00 p.m.

Avoid the lines and complete your registration ONLINE. Click on the following link to purchase your Cougar Pride package, the Caller, Sprit wear and more:

<https://cottonwood-creek-elementary-registration-day-copy.cheddarup.com>

The online form is identical to the form that will be distributed during live check-in. You will also have the opportunity to view and purchase spirit wear in-person at school at other times.

* PTO Online check-in will close at the end of the day on **Wednesday, August 8th**.

* Only credit cards and e-checks will be available with online check-in. Credit cards, cash, and checks will be accepted on check-in day. Thank you.

TEACHER ASSIGNMENTS



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Due to the coordinated PTO check-in and COT Teacher Meet and Greet, the office will send email messages with student placement information by 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday, August 8. Parents may stop by the main office between 12:00-3:00 P.M. on Thursday, August 9 for student placement information if you prefer; however, this information is identical to the email information you will receive. Student placement will not be shared via phone to insure privacy.

KINDERGARTEN NEWS

KINDIE MOMS NIGHT OUT

Take a night off and mingle with other moms with an incoming Kindie on August 7th, 6:00 p.m. at Jing.

KINDIE COFFEE & KLEENEX

Please join us for Coffee and Kleenex immediately following drop-off (8am-9am) of your Kindergartners on Wednesday, August 15th in the school cafeteria. Please plan on coming to the front office to sign in and join us!

KINDIE TEACHER ASSIGNMENTS

Kindergarten teacher assignments will be emailed and posted following screenings by the Kindergarten classroom doors at 2:45 P.M. on Tuesday, August 14.



Celebrate the Back-to-School Pool Party on August 19th with dinner for your family from Lil' Ricci's. You can pre-order your dinner for delivery to the pool, or order and pick it up on the way. Look for the order form at Thursday's Check-In and in your child's folder on Monday. All preorders and checks need to be received by Thursday (8/15) for pool delivery. If you have any questions email Lauren Kauffman at lauren.k.kauffman@gmail.com. Thanks for supporting our PTO!

* Don't forget to mention Cottonwood or bring along flyer if picking up.



Cottonwood's BIGGEST Fall fundraiser is **FRIDAY, September 7th!**

What is Run4Fund\$? Our Fun Run program promotes fun exercise and eliminates sales like cookie dough and wrapping paper to raise money for our school.

Run 4 Fund\$ Key Dates:

Friday, August 24th - School Assembly, Important information and pledge sheets will be sent home on this day. PLEASE check your student's backpack.

Friday, September 7th - Fun Run Day (Parents are encouraged to come and support your kids! More information about your student's run time to follow.

See attached flyer for more details on Run4Fund\$.

COTTONWOOD CRUISERS

Lace up your running shoes and join Cottonwood's running club for the fall season. The club meets Monday afternoons from 2:45 to 3:45, September 17 to October 29, 2018. Parents are required to volunteer one session per registered runner; sorry, no exceptions.

Registration is \$15 per runner and is limited to 50 students, grades 1-5 (Kindie's welcome if a parent runs with them each practice). Registration begins September 5th at 8:30am and ends when the 50 spots are filled, or on September 12th. If you have questions, please contact Jessica Rothschild at jess.rothschild@gmail.com.

Register here:

<https://fall-2018-cottonwood-cruisers.cheddarup.com>



UPCOMING PARENT & PARENT/KID PARTIES

Reconnect with the Cottonwood community and build memories with your families while giving back at the same time! To register for these fun events just click on the link...then put it in your calendar and enjoy the fun! Feel free to pass on to other families that may have missed the link.

BACK TO SCHOOL POOL PARTY



August 19th, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Grab your suits, gather your friends, and head to the CCV pool for a back to school pool party! Ice cream sundaes will be served. Dessert provided by the Reiter family.

\$5/per child

<https://cottonwood-back-to-school-pool-party.cheddarup.com>

PARENTS NIGHT OUT BBQ

August 24th @ 7:00 p.m.

Book your sitter for a fun PNO BBQ at the Whitehead House!

[11653 E. Berry Ave., Englewood 80111](#) (Lake Pointe Estates)

970-319-1634

Dinner and drinks will be served.

Bring a bottle of wine (priced around \$15) and enter the wine bottle raffle. Winner takes home all the wine!

Hosted by the Miller, Mohr and Whitehead families.

\$50 per couple, \$25 per person.

<https://parents-bbq.cheddarup.com>

DOGGIE DIP and DIVE

September 9th, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

*We know it's a holiday for some of you but it's the official day for the pool to be closed. Bring your dogs for a fun family event at the CCV pool. Watch the dogs dive in before the pool is winterized for the season. All-sized, vaccinated, nice dogs are welcome!

\$10 per dog; \$15 for household of dogs.

<https://doggie-dip-dive-sept-9th.cheddarup.com>

BIKE PUB CRAWL

September 22nd @ 4:00 p.m.

Meet at Cottonwood on your bike, trike or unicycle for a fun ride! We will proceed to area bars and restaurants for cocktails and food. Hosted by the Johnson, Talaga, Lauber and Eggers families.

\$20 per couple, \$10 per person.

<https://bike-pub-crawl-2018.cheddarup.com>

DUDES and DAUGHTER DANCE

October 26th @ 6:00 p.m.

Make memories for your daughter and the special Dude in her life at the annual Dudes and Daughter Dance in the Cottonwood Gym.

\$25 for the first daughter and \$10 for each additional daughter.

<https://cottonwood-daddy-daughter-dance.cheddarup.com>

Please SAVE THE DATE for:

- Run4Fund\$ - Friday, September 7th
- General PTO meeting – Friday, September 14th, 8:00 a.m., Cafeteria
- Cottonwood Carnival – Friday, October 5th, 3:00-6:00 p.m.



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT COTTONWOOD...

Mark your calendars for these important dates in August:

8/5: Online Check-in Open, closes on 8/8
8/7: Kindie MNO – 6:00 p.m., Jing Restaurant
8/9: Cottonwood Check-in Day – 12:00-4:30 p.m., Cottonwood
8/9: Teacher Meet & Greet/Popsicle Party - 2:30-3:30 p.m., Cottonwood
8/9: Kindergarten Back to School Night – 6:00 p.m., Cottonwood
8/13: First Day of School (1st thru 5th)
8/15: Kindergarten First Day of School
8/15: Kindie Coffee & Kleenex – 8:00-9:00 a.m., Cottonwood cafeteria
8/15: Back to School Night (1st thru 5th) - 5:30-7:40 p.m., Cottonwood
8/17: Welcome Breakfast for New Families – 8:00 a.m., Cottonwood
8/19: Back to School Pool Party – 7:00-9:00 p.m., CCV pool
8/24: PNO BBQ – 7:00 p.m., Whitehead house

For a full list of upcoming events, school supply lists, and other helpful information, please check out our website at <http://cottonwoodcreekelementarypto.com>. Also go to our Facebook page to get all the latest news and events right in your Facebook feed! Like and follow us at Cottonwood Creek Elementary PTO.

We are looking forward to a great year! Have a safe and fun rest of summer!

Paula Hruska and Jenn Bub

PTO Co-Presidents

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