



- 9/2 Cougar Classic Meeting 6:15 PM
- 9/3 8th Gr. Spanish Trip Parent Meeting 6:00
- 9/4 PTA Meeting 6:15 PM
- 9/6 Academy Board Workshop 10:00 AM
- 9/10 Academy Board Meeting 7:00 PM
- 9/10 Fall Picture Day; Uniforms Required
- 9/11 7th Gr. Spanish Trip Parent Meeting 6:00
- 9/16 Cougar Classic Meeting 6:15 PM
- 9/16 Academy Board Sub-Committee 7:00 PM
- 9/17 BAAC Meeting 6:30 PM
- 9/17 End of Grading Period for Progress Reports
- 9/19 No School— Teacher Work Day
- 9/20 Progress Reports Sent Home
- 9/30 Cougar Classic Meeting 6:15 PM
- 10/2 PTA Meeting 6:15 PM



From the Director

Summer's Slide Back to School

It's a well know fact that kids forgot a thing or two over the summer. I've heard teachers refer to it as the "summer slide". Reading skills regress a bit, math facts are forgotten, and handwriting becomes a little shaky. This phenomenon not only happens with students; it happens with teachers, too. Yes, it also happens with me. Every summer I forget a few valuable things that I want to write right down so I don't forget and share with you.

Dismissal is always slow the first few weeks. Kids, teachers, and parents need a little time to get the rhythm of the system. It works great when everyone plays their part and follows the rules. Be patient, take a breath and follow the directions. It just takes some time to get it up to full speed.

If you are picking up your kids and see the driveway is already full, please drive around to the parking lot and walk into the gym. It can be tough to be turned away from the pickup line, but we cannot block traffic on Decatur Street. One trick to avoid this problem is to come at 3:30 or 3:35 when the line is already moving.

The math starts off easy and then gets much harder. Whether it was Saxon math in the past or our new GoMath curriculum, the first few weeks are review. Our new math program meets Colorado State Math Standards. Our old one did not. Once concepts are reviewed things really take off. If you child finds things too easy, that is okay. Soon enough that will change.

Kindergarten (and other grades too) kids are going to be tired. Your kids might be a little cranky the first few weeks. They aren't used to getting up this early, working all day, and being busy from start to finish. We have a long school day and this can be really tough to adjust to for some children. The great thing about kids is that they adapt to change quickly.

If you have a question, don't be afraid to ask. We have all been new to school, had a first day at a new school, or just needed to know something. Let us know what you need and we will work hard to get you an answer. Everyone at CPA is there to help and happy to do so.

With these thoughts, I would like to welcome everyone to Crown Pointe Academy. We are going to have an amazing year. Thanks for being part of it.

Drop off and Pick Up Procedures and Tips for

With our first weeks of school under our belts, our traffic plan is proving to be successful both during drop off and pick up. There are a few minor issues with simple solutions that would help to make our traffic plan more smooth and efficient for both parents and staff. After reading these tips, please share our plan with anyone who has permission to drop off or pick up your student.

- Remember that you may drop your students off starting at 7:30 a.m., but please **do not** drop off before 7:30 a.m. as we do not have student supervision until that time.
- As a staff, we have agreed that all cars in the drive lane by 7:55 will not be counted tardy, whether they are out of the drive lane or not. **However, if you arrive after 7:55 and we are unable to unload your student by 8:00, your student will receive an unexcused tardy. Please plan accordingly and give yourselves adequate time in the morning.**
- **Remember, if your student is tardy, you must walk him or her into the building and sign him or her in at the office before they will be allowed into class!**
- **For safety reasons, do not drop your students off in the parking lot or along 86th and allow them to walk to the building unaccompanied for any reason. Also, if you use the drive lane, do not allow your students to exit your vehicle until they are in the drop off area and can be assisted by a staff member.**
- Please know your carpool number for dismissal! Share your number with anyone who may pick up your child. This helps us to call and load students quickly in the afternoon.
- Please fill all three lanes in the driveway during dismissal to avoid back up onto City streets.
- **Do not get out of your vehicle for any reason in the drive lane.** Follow staff directions and pull as far up as possible so that we can load and unload as many cars as possible.
- Obey all traffic signs and guides. Please do not cut through the parking lot to get into the drive lane.
- Make a complete stop at all signs within the school neighborhood.
- Please refrain from using your cell phone in the parking lot.
- Remember that the safety of all Crown Pointe children, families, and staff is our top priority. Please drive slowly, use caution, and stay alert at all times in the parking lot.

Thank you for your continued support in our traffic plan!

PTA Update from Denise Chavez, President

Be a Child Advocate - Join PTA

Welcome back! We hope you are looking forward to an exciting new year. Hopefully you enjoyed the Back-to-School Picnic as much as we did. Thank you to Jamie Brostuen, Jessie Beeson, Dawn Baird, Mr. O, Angela Vinson and the rest of the Back-to-School Picnic volunteers.

We are excited to bring Crown Pointe Academy a new fundraising event, "The 1st Annual Cougar Classic & Carnival Royale" Fundraiser. The event will be held at Crown Pointe Academy, Saturday, October 4th. The monies generated from this event will help fund future PTA sponsored events. ***Also, if you are interested in volunteering, please plan on attending the first committee meeting, Tuesday, September 2nd @ 6:15 pm in the library.***

Next PTA General Meeting – September 4, 2014 at 6:15 pm. Child care and light snacks will be provided. Please come and meet your fellow parents, staff and administration. Anytime you spend with us counts towards your commitment hours. We look forward to seeing you at our first meeting of the year.

Don't forget to get your King Soopers Neighborhood Reloadable Gift Cards - Every grocery purchase you make at King Soopers earns 5% back to support our kids through CPA-PTA. We have gift cards to purchase (\$5.00 & \$10.00 increments), so if you would like one, please contact Jamie Brostuen at 303-429-1725.

The Academy Board Needs Your Help!

Are you looking for a way to fulfill your volunteer commitment hours? Do you love Crown Pointe and want to share all the accomplishments of the school? Are interested in the future of Crown Pointe Academy? If so, please come to the Academy Board Sub-Committee Meeting on **September 16, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.** There are three sub-committees that are in need of your help. The sub-committees are:

Long Range Planning –

This Academy Board Sub-Committee helps guide the Crown Pointe Academy Board by researching and planning opportunities for the future of the school.

Public Relations –

This Academy Board Sub-Committee helps to get the message out about Crown Pointe Academy. We also highlight all of the achievements and awards the students and the school receives during the school year using the newspapers and social media.

Policy Planning –

This Academy Board Sub-Committee helps keep Crown Pointe Academy up to date with the policies from our own committees and various organizations. They review these policies to ensure that they are current and write or update policies when needed.

Hope to see you on Tuesday, September 16th at 7:00 p.m.

Staff Extensions (303) 428-1882

510	Armstrong, Lawrence	Middle School Math Teacher
219	Austin, Tammie	Kindergarten Assistant
127	Bandel, Denise	In House Substitute
223	Bonadonna, Janet	2nd Grade Assistant
513	Carscallen, Robin	Middle School Literature Teacher
104	Castellano, Diana	Health Aide
417	Cowley, Christal	3rd Grade Assistant
511	Emmett, Hilary	6th and 7th Grade Writing Teacher
410	Felten, Adina	4th Grade Teacher
103	Fiorini, Leslie	School Receptionist
222	George, Andrea	Elementary RtI Coordinator
102	Gerber, Trisha	School Receptionist
406	Gonzalez, William	3-8 Spanish Teacher
228	Granado, Alicia	Kindergarten Assistant
504	Graybeal, Bob	Middle School Science Teacher
418	Guillen, Dominique	3rd Grade Assistant
412	Hardy, Liz	5th Grade Teacher
211	Holmes, Liann	1st Grade Teacher
212	Hubin, Ashley	2nd Grade Teacher
209	Huffman, Tina	Kindergarten Teacher
514	Hughes, Bonnie	Middle School Social Studies Teacher
520	James, Karey	Middle School Assistant
222	Johnson, Velvet	2nd Grade Assistant
115	Knutson, Kari	School Counselor
405	Knutson, Molly	K-2 Spanish, Elementary Technology Teacher
220	Lamb, Renee	1st Grade Teacher
105	MacGregor, Sandi	Executive Secretary
113	Munier, Morgan	Facility Manager
521	Murphy, Sandy	8th Grade Writing, Middle School Electives Teacher
422	O'Connor, Katie	5th Grade Assistant
307	O'Neal, Pam	Music Teacher
106	Ouweneel, Keith	Director
411	Reichert, Kristine	5th Grade Teacher
407	Ruskusky, Kevin	3rd Grade Teacher
408	Segal, Erica	3rd Grade Teacher
107	Selleck-Keyes, Erin	Assistant Director
313	Sherlock, Evan	Art, Middle School Technology Teacher
118	Smeltzer, Danielle	Special Education Teacher
221	Smiley, Melba	1st Grade Assistant
421	Smith, Leigh	5th Grade Assistant
420	Sunday, LuCinda	4th Grade Assistant
523	Southern, Julie	Middle School Assistant
210	Strass, Monica	1st Grade Teacher
306	Strick, Peggy	School Librarian
208	Sullivan, Jackie	Kindergarten Teacher
318	Varner, AJ	Physical Education Teacher
419	Williams, Jennifer	4th Grade Assistant
213	Winham, Wilhelmina	2nd Grade Teacher
512	Wood, Stephanie	Middle School Math Teacher
522	Worley, Paula	Middle School RtI, G/T Coordinator
409	Yang, Sue	4th Grade Teacher

Staff e-mail Formula:

firstname.lastname@crownpointeacademy.org

Homework Hotline

Call (303) 428-1882 after 4:30

Infinite Campus Parent Portal

Pick up your login info at the school office.

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Crown Pointe Academy shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules and regulations including without limitation, the constitutional provisions prohibiting discrimination on the basis of disability, age, race, creed, color, gender, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, athletic and other school-administered programs.