



# The Bear Facts

**Hunters Glen  
Elementary**

August 24, 2009

## Principal Notes...

Welcome back for the 2009-10 school year! I am very excited to introduce you to our new Assistant Principal, Mr. Mike Andrews. The kids are very excited to have a male administrator. I'm sure many of you met him at Back to School Night and some of you may have heard about him from your child(ren).

We are excited to announce that our school has applied for—and received—a grant from Bicycle Colorado, Safe Routes to School. This program is to encourage more students to ride their bikes or walk to school. The team from Bicycle Colorado will come out in late September to work with classes on safety while walking and

riding to school. The second day they will bring bicycles and set up an obstacle course on our back parking lot. They will allow all students to ride the course and learn how to avoid common obstacles and dangers. Each student in second, third, fourth and fifth grade will receive their own FREE bicycle helmet! If your child already has a helmet, you might be interested to know that helmets have a life-span. They should be replaced periodically. We will give you more information about that later. As part of the grant, we will be sending home a survey. We ask you to fill it out and send it back as soon as possible. We will then send a follow up sur-

vey later in the year to see if you felt the program was effective. We hope everyone will participate in our Walking and Wheeling Week October 12–16. We encourage everyone to either walk or ride their bikes to school that week. Mr. Andrews and I will ride our bikes and meet groups at "strategic" locations. We are really looking forward to the opportunity to participate in this grant and hope it will reduce traffic problems at the school.

Assessment days are scheduled for Monday August 31 last names A-G 7:45am-10:45am, last names H-N 11:30am-2:30pm and September 1, last names O-Z 7:45am-10:45am.

September 17th will be our Curriculum Night from 6:30–7:30. We will follow that with a quick informational PTO meeting from 7:30–8:15. We hope you will join us!

Our fifth annual Dinner and Movie Under The Stars will be held on Friday, September 11. PTO will have dinner and then we will watch Hotel For Dogs out on the grass behind the building. If you have not attended before, come this year. This is such a fun event! (And my favorite event!)

We are so glad everyone is back. We really look forward to this year!

We will begin only providing our newsletters via our website, if you would like a printed copy please notify the office.

Don't forget to order Rockies tickets for September 25th. It's the fireworks game!

I wanted to take a minute to introduce myself. My name is Mike Andrews and it's my privilege to be the new Assistant Principal at Hunters Glen. This is my third year as an administrator in the Adams 12 School District, before that I was a fourth grade teacher in the St. Vrain Valley School District and the Johnstown School District. I look forward to being a part of the Hunters Glen community. I am the father of three with my oldest starting high school this year. I love sports and music and I'm a huge Colorado Rockies fan. So far it has been nice meeting the parents and students and I look forward to meeting more of our families. If I can be of any assistance to you feel free to stop in, my door is always open. I look forward to a great school year. Sincerely, Mike Andrews



# Nutrition Services

## Online Credit Card Payments for Lunches

You can now add money to your child's meal and snack account via the Internet using a certified, secure, third-party provider: SchoolPaymentSolutions.com. The site allows parents to make payments into their child's account via the Web.

If you use this service, you no longer need to send a check with your child to pay for meals. Once an online payment is made, a deposit will be made to your child's account. The payment amount and an additional fee of \$2.75 will be charged to your credit card or checking account. Each additional child costs \$1.75.

Getting started is easy. Go to <http://www.schoolpaymentsolutions.com> and then click on Login for instructions on how to set up your account. You will need the following information to set up your child's account: School:

Student ID:

The numeric part of your address:

Your zip code:

If you need assistance with your child's student ID number please call your **kitchen** manager for help rather than your school's front office.

## Free and Reduced Lunch/Breakfast Prices

Students who were on free or reduced lunches on the last day of school last year, are eligible for the same benefits for the first 30 days of the new school year. The federal government requires a **new application** to be submitted and evaluated to determine if benefits will continue.

If the new application is not received by **Oct. 1, 2009**, your child's meal benefits will be stopped, and you must send money (Elementary: lunch \$2.35, breakfast \$1.55; Middle School: lunch \$2.60, breakfast \$1.65; High School: lunch \$2.75, breakfast 1.85).

## Precios de Almuerzos y Desayunos Gratis y de Precio Reducido

Los estudiantes que a final del año escolar recibían almuerzos gratis o de precio reducido, son elegibles para los mismos beneficios durante los primeros 30 días de clases del año escolar nuevo. El gobierno federal requiere que se llene y evalúe una **solicitud nueva** para determinar si se continuarán los beneficios.

Si la nueva aplicación no es recibida en o antes del **1ro de Octubre de 2009**, los beneficios de comidas para su niño serán discontinuados, y usted tendrá que enviar el dinero (Escuela Primaria: almuerzo \$2.35, desayuno \$1.55; Escuela Intermedia: almuerzo \$2.60, desayuno \$1.65; Escuela Secundaria: almuerzo \$2.75, desayuno \$1.85).

**Non-Sufficient Fund Checks** Beginning with the 2009-2010 school year, Adams 12 Five Star Schools will send all returned checks directly to ePayments Educational Financial Services' Automatic Check Reimbursement Program. The district will no longer collect money for bad checks and NSF fees. ePayments will contact parents directly and collect on NSF checks and fees

**Cheques Sin Fondos** Comenzando este año, el Distrito Escolar Adams 12 Five Star Schools enviará todos los cheques sin fondos a ePayments Educational Financial Services' Automatic Check Reimbursement Program (Programa de Reembolso Automático de Cheques). El distrito no cobrará el dinero por los cheques sin fondos ni las penalidades por tales cheques. ePayments se encargará de comunicarse directamente con los padres para cobrar los cheques sin fondos y las penalidades.