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Mr. Price & et al.,

Please see the attached advocacy letter for Fireside Elementary as Boulder Valley School District continues discussions on education resources in the following school years.

If you have further questions of any sort, please reach me by email.

Thank You,

Cheyenne Rolon

Attachments:

- Fireside Advocacy Letter Re Declining Enrollment.docx

ATTN: April 24, 2026
Mr. Rob Price
Assistant Superintendent of Operational Services
Rob.price@bvsd.org

Re: Preserving Excellence and Community at Fireside Elementary

Dear Mr. Price,

I am writing as a parent and engaged member of the community to respectfully urge the District to preserve Fireside Elementary in its current form as it considers proposals to close or significantly change the school due to declining enrollment.

Boulder Valley School District has long distinguished itself as a district committed to providing the highest quality education and serving as a destination for families seeking exceptional schools. Any decision regarding school consolidation should be guided first and foremost by that mission, ensuring that students receive the best possible education within the resources available. By that measure, Fireside Elementary stands out as an asset that should be protected and leveraged—not diminished.

I. A Proven Standard of Excellence

Fireside Elementary is not simply a neighborhood school—it is one of the highest-performing schools in the Louisville/Superior region and beyond, with a track record of strong academic outcomes and meaningful recognition for its achievements. As you know, Fireside most recently received the Colorado Governor's Distinguished Improvement Award in 2025 for demonstrating exceptional student growth. Schools like Fireside Elementary elevate the reputation of the entire district and are precisely the type of institution that attract families to BVSD. Closing or significantly altering a high-performing, award-recognized school risks undermining the District's broader goal of maintaining and strengthening its standing as a leader in public education.

II. A Unique and Nurturing Culture

Equally important is the culture that defines Fireside Elementary. It is widely known among families as an exceptionally warm, inclusive, and nurturing environment. That culture is not incidental—it is foundational to student success. Students who feel safe, supported, and known by their teachers are better positioned to engage, learn, and thrive. This kind of environment cannot be easily replicated or transferred; it is built over time through relationships, leadership, and a shared commitment among staff and families. Disrupting that culture would come at a real cost to students.

III. The Power of a Walkable Neighborhood School

Fireside Elementary also serves as a cornerstone of its community. Many families, like my own, can walk to school, creating daily opportunities for connection—between students, parents, and neighbors. We chose our neighborhood, and even street based on the accolades of Fireside Elementary and the broader benefits offered to my family. These benefits include small, consistent interactions which foster a sense of belonging and strengthen relationships that carry into the classroom. The walkable nature of the school reinforces the very culture that makes it successful and contributes to a cohesive, engaged community that supports student learning in meaningful ways.

IV. A Strategic, Central Location

From a practical standpoint, Fireside Elementary is also uniquely well-positioned to serve the District's broader needs. Its central location in the Louisville and Superior region makes it an ideal school to absorb students from other schools facing closure due to declining enrollment. Rather than closing or altering a high-performing school, the District could more effectively utilize Fireside Elementary as a hub—maximizing existing infrastructure while preserving quality and continuity for students.

V. Aligning Decisions with BVSD's Core Mission

At a time when enrollment challenges require difficult decisions, it is critical that the District prioritize what matters most: delivering an excellent education and maintaining BVSD as a place where families actively choose to live and enroll their children. Preserving high-performing schools like Fireside Elementary is essential to that goal. These schools are not just part of the system—they are a key driver of its success and reputation.

For these reasons, I respectfully ask the Board to preserve Fireside Elementary as the Board explores solutions that protect both educational quality and community stability.

Thank you for your time, your leadership, and your continued commitment to the students and families of Boulder Valley School District.

Sincerely,

Cheyenne Rolon

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