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Dear Douglass families,

Today's unexpected school closure due to a water main break in the neighborhood was decided right around 6 a.m. this morning. We wanted to alert families and staff as early as possible and that decision to close was made just before 6. Thanks for your understanding that a safe school requires water, and we expect to be back to normal activities on Monday.

Our Coffee Talk will be rescheduled for next Friday, February 13, at 8 a.m. Come join me and other fellow parents for an open forum about school and district happenings.

Dare To Dream: Career Week is coming to Douglass Elementary!

Get ready to help us ignite your child's imagination and empower their aspirations! We're thrilled to announce the arrival of Dare to Dream: Career Week, happening from March 9-13, 2026!

During this week-long event, students from PreKindergarten through Fifth Grade will immerse themselves in Career-Connected learning activities designed to inspire and excite their curiosity.

Through engaging activities, interactive sessions, and inspiring talks, our goal is to encourage our students to DREAM BIG and explore the vast array of career possibilities awaiting them.

Dare to Dream: Career Week is the Elementary School Curriculum for Work-Based Learning that aligns with the BVSD GRAD+ framework, BVSD Strategic Plan, and requirements from the Colorado Department of Education and ICAP. Students will have the opportunity to connect classroom learning to the world around them, fostering a deeper understanding of the future opportunities available to them.

But that's not all - families, you can join in on the excitement too! Here's how:

> **Be a Guest Speaker** - Sign Up to share your career journey with our students on Thursday, March 12th. Show them the fascinating aspects of your job and inspire them with your experiences!
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> **Donate Magazines, cardboard pieces/rolls, tissue paper, or other art items**: Help us collect materials for our activities by donating old magazines, catalogs and art supplies. You can find the collection bin conveniently located in the front lobby.
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> **Engage in Conversations**: Take this opportunity to talk to your child about their dreams and the limitless possibilities ahead. Ask them about their experiences throughout the week and encourage them to share their aspirations with you.

Together, let's Dare to Dream and empower our students to reach for the stars!

Now Enrolling for School Year 26-27!

Enrolling Kindergarten students for the 2026-2027 school year. If you live in our attendance area or know of families who live in our zone, you can enroll now for the next school year. Early enrollments help us project staffing for next year, so please enroll today at https://www.bvsd.org/parents-students/enrollment-center/enrollment-in-neighborhood-schools.

The Universal Preschool Program (UPK) application for four year olds is now open. The pre-registration period for children returning for a second year of preschool, preschool siblings of children already attending, and parent employees closes on February 2nd. Returners will have a spot reserved for them but they must apply through the UPK website to keep it. Siblings and parent employees will be enrolled first come, first served. Apply here.

In 2026-27 we will continue to offer half-day Preschool sessions five days a week, morning and afternoon, at all of our sites. The majority of our sites also offer Preschool Enrichment to extend the day.

Families who are paying tuition for more than one child can apply for a 15% sibling discount in either Preschool or Preschool Enrichment. A 15% discount to Enrichment tuition will be offered to parent/guardian employees. (Please note that only one discount can be applied.)
Children do not need to be potty trained to enroll in a BVSD preschool!
Email us at preschool@bvsd.org or call 720-561-5075 if you're interested or would like to find out more.

Congratulations to Jahnavi Naidu who won the School Spelling Bee on Monday! It was a challenging set of of words for students to tackle - we are so proud of all our participants - and the championship word was "fiberglass". Jahnavi advances to the Boulder Regional Spelling Bee on March 7, 2026, at New Vista High School Good luck Jahnavi!

Tween Time at the Boulder Public Library. Starting Saturday, Feb. 7, tweens are invited to hang out, explore, and connect during a dedicated hour just for them in the Main Library's Teen Space every Saturday. While the Teen Space is typically reserved for grades 6–12, opening it to tweens gives them a chance to build confidence, explore independently, and ease them into the teen years in a welcoming environment.

The library has also opened up most of our teen programs for tweens to attend! Check out our calendar of events at boulderlibrary.org to check out some fun upcoming events, like Anime Club, Annoy Squidward Day, and National Pokémon Day. A flyer is attached here - Tween Time .

Pony Express: Monday 2/9-Friday 2/13

The Pony Express is coming soon! Again, delivery is FREE of charge. We hope you will join us in spreading some kindness and cheer

around our school!

The Post Office will be set up near the office and will accept mail beginning Monday 2/9th through 8 am on the 2/13. There will be an outside drop box for parents to use by the sign-in desk in the vestibule.

Who: Douglass Community (students, parents, teachers, staff)
Post Office: In the Heart near the office. Drop box for parents to use in front of the school as well.
Cost: FREE! FREE! FREE!
Info: Write Recipient's NAME, GRADE and TEACHER on envelope
What: CARDS & LETTERS ONLY PLEASE
Dates: Mail accepted beginning Monday, 2/9, and no later than 8am on 2/13
Why: To spread a little kindness and cheer!

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