



Excel Academy Eagle Update

March 1, 2024

UPDATES FROM THE SCHOOL

Leadership Coffee Chat: March 6th

Please join our monthly **Leadership Coffee Chat** this **Wednesday, March 6th from 8:30 - 9:15 a.m.** Bring topics or questions and join us for light breakfast bites and conversation with our school's leadership team!



Picture Day is March 7th!

Our picture company is taking **Class Pictures & Individual Pictures** on March 7th.

We will start taking pictures at 8:30 am. Be sure to be on time so your student is in their class picture.

Click [HERE](#) to order.

Spring Explorations

Our spring Explorations are under way and students are excited about the new topics they will be exploring. Students will be in need



of supplies before we know it, so we are once again asking for donations. Please take a look at this [Explorations Supplies Sign-Up Genius](#) and send in any supplies that you can help with. Your donations count towards your volunteer hours and are greatly appreciated. Mark your calendar for Wednesday, April 24, when we will be holding our Spring Exploration Expo!



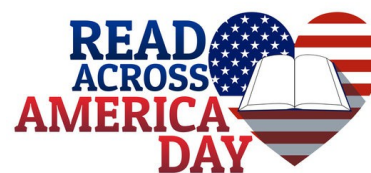
Scholastic Book Fair!

The Excel Academy Scholastic Book Fair is coming, come and shop and help us reach our school goal of \$4,000! This semester, all rounding up of totals and donations will go towards sending each student home with a book for the summer. Please help support our school community. You can take the time to look at our [Online Store](#) and set up an eWallet for your child so they do

not need to come in with cash. Thank you for your continued support and I look forward to an amazing Spring Book Fair!

Read Across America!

NEA's Read Across America is an annual reading motivation and awareness program that calls for every child in every community to celebrate reading with the theme: Celebrating a Nation of Diverse Readers. **We will be celebrating March 4th -March 8th in Excel's Read Across America week Spirit Week, take a look at the attached flyer.** Happy Reading Eagles!



Click [HERE](#) to see what to wear during Spirit Week!



Excel Athletic Update from Coach Miller

Just a reminder that basketball action continues on Tuesday March 5th with a home game against Woodrow Wilson Academy, and then the regular season finale on Thursday, March 7th at Evergreen Country Day School. Play starts at 4:15 p.m. both days. Playoffs begin the following week.

SOAR Winners

Congratulations to this week's SOAR drawing winners!

Self Discipline

Outstanding Effort
Acceptance of Others
Resilience

Kindergarten- Hudson L., 1st- Vivian O., 2nd- Jaimi J., 3rd- Leiara L.,
4th- Joseph S., 5th- Noah K., 6th- Ryan L., 7th- Vincent A., & 8th-
Jordan V..

Mrs. Prather's Kindergarten Class



UPDATES FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE



Reminders about medications, cough drops and herbal remedies.

The health room needs to be informed of all medications that a student needs while in school. This includes any prescription and over the counter medications, cough drops, and herbal supplements. Students are not permitted to carry medications in their backpacks (unless it is for emergency use with proper paperwork). This is for the safety of all students. You can find a medical authorization form on our website, or you can pick one up from the office. If you are not able to obtain the paperwork you can come into school and give the student any medication needed. If you have any questions, you may contact the school nurse, Andrea Gansen RN at 720-437-0509 andrea.gansen@childrenscolorado.org.

9 Common Childhood Illnesses

From stomach bugs to roseola, some sicknesses are bound to happen at some point during childhood. But as a parent or caregiver, it can be hard to identify what these conditions are, or when you should ask for help. Plus, many sicknesses can have overlapping symptoms, making it hard to differentiate what illness your child may have. Fortunately, our partners at Children's Hospital Colorado share expert information on key signs and symptoms of common conditions, how to help your child heal and more.



https://www.childrenscolorado.org/conditions-and-advice/parenting/parenting-articles/common-childhood-illnesses/?utm_source=partner&utm_medium=partner_social&utm_campaign=jac

UPDATES FROM THE PTO

PTO Links

[Excel Academy PTO Website](#)

[Track it Forward Volunteer Opportunities & Hours Tracking Site](#)

[RaiseRight](#) online gift card fundraising site

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

AI Bootcamp summer program for Middle School Students

Middle School students interested in learning about AI? We're AI Camp! Founded by Stanford Ph.D.s - we are leaders in AI education and we have made it our mission to open doors for students into the tech industry! We would like to invite Excel Academy Charter School students to apply for the [2024 AI Camp Scholarship](#) (**Deadline: March 10, 2024**)!

The scholarship is designed for our highly popular AI Bootcamp summer program, a three-week, online journey through the fascinating world of AI. Here, over 5000 students have already transformed their curiosity into creation, developing their own AI product under the guidance of experts from top companies and universities like Google, Stanford, MIT, and many more.

Scholarship Details:

Open to middle and high school students, the AI Camp Scholarship—ranging from full to partial—is designed to make AI Bootcamp accessible to all. ***Scholarships are awarded on a first come, first served basis. The deadline for applications is March 10, 2024. Please advise students to act fast, as spots for this program are filling up quickly!***

To help spread the word with students and parents, we've created a handy, [shareable flyer](#). It contains all the vital details about AI Bootcamp and the scholarship opportunity!



Want to learn AI this Summer?
JOIN AI CAMP THIS SUMMER FOR OUR THREE WEEK AI BOOTCAMP

ABOUT THE PROGRAM
AI Bootcamp is a three-week online journey into the world of AI. Students will have the unique chance to build their own AI product under the guidance of industry experts from top universities like Stanford, MIT, Carnegie Mellon, and many more!

Scholarships Available
Deadline to Apply: March 10, 2024

WHY CHOOSE US?

- No Coding Experience Required
- Guidance from Top AI Instructors
- Boost Your Resume & College Apps
- Top Students Get Paid Internships

FOR AGES 13+

100% ONLINE

APPLY TODAY



AWEST CHEER PROSPECT CAMP

Prospective members, join us on **March 27th** and **28th** to learn from us and get a look into what it's like to be an AWHHS Cheerleader!

Scan the QR code to learn more and to register for this camp!



Open to incoming 7th-12th graders who are not current members of our team

AWest Cheer Camp

Join AWest Cheer Camp for 7th-12 grade students. March 27th and March 28th.

African Drumming Circle: With Mrs. Boyd

Join Mrs. Boyd on Thursdays from 5:00-6:00 for African Drumming!
April 4th - May 23rd

[African Drumming Circle](#)



Arvada Center Summer Camp

The Arvada Center offers summer camp opportunities for children age 3-18. Check out all of their offerings on their website at

<https://arvadacenter.org/education/summer-camps>.



YMCA Drop In Care & Summer Camp

AM and PM Drop-In Care is available with the YMCA OST program at Excel. For more information or to request a drop-in date, please email: LWolfe@denverymca.org.

YMCA Summer Day Camp! Registration now open for the Excel location!

www.DenverYMCA.org

Ages: 5-12

Cost: \$230/week for members, \$280/week for non-members

Hours: 8:00 AM- 5:30 PM

Summer Camp [FLYER](#)



Skate City: FREE Membership



Skate City is offering **students and parents FREE membership to the Skate City Family Freebies Club!** Click on the link below to see the amazing perks of our Family Freebies Club Membership. We currently have over *6000 families in our FFC* and the free year of membership has a value of \$5 for each guest.

[Skate City Flyer](#)

Helpful Links & Resources

[Order Breakfast or Lunch:](#) (due a week before the week of meals)

[Excel Academy Standards-Based Grading Scale](#)

[Infinite Campus Parent Portal](#) (Check grades, missing assignments, attendance, pay fees)

[Infinite Campus Parent Directions](#)

[Log Volunteer Hours](#) and sign-up for volunteer opportunities

[2023-24 Excel Academy School Year Calendar](#)

Ideas for thanking a staff member: [Treats and Deets](#)

Yearbook Photo Submission Folders: [Kindergarten Pictures](#) | [1st Grade Pictures](#) | [2nd Grade](#)

[Pictures](#) | [3rd Grade Pictures](#) | [4th Grade pictures](#) | [5th Grade photos](#) | [6th Grade photos](#) | [7th Grade](#)

[Photos](#) | [8th Grade Photos](#) | [All Sports](#) | [School Events & Activities](#) | [Candid Pictures](#) | [Excel](#)

[Families & Community](#) | [Electives](#) | [8th Grade Then and Now \(kinder & recent\) Pictures](#)

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