

Independence Elementary School

In The Know with PTCO

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Upcoming Events

- ◆ Boosterthon
- ◆ PTCO Meeting
- ◆ Skate City Night

Welcome

Welcome to our first issue of *In the Know with PTCO*!

We are greatly looking forward to making this year a success. We will be bringing back some of our old favorites, but we will have some new events too!

One of our major goals is to increase awareness of and participation in PTCO events. We have lots of ideas for the year but they will be so much better with your participation. After all, we all have the same goals in mind - to create the best educational environment possible for our children. And with a

Meet the PTCO

Each issue we will feature a different PTCO member so that you can get to know those who serve your school.

This month **Kori Dover** is in the spotlight! She is one of our presidents and is no stranger to PTCO as she served as our secretary last year.

Kori grew up in Lone Tree and attended Highlands Ranch High School. Her dad was a dean for the Cherry Creek School District where she made some of her favorite memories going to school with him.

Kori has 2 Saint Bernard's, a bearded dragon, and 2 kids, Gabe and Quinn. They keep her busy between hockey games and dance (the kids, not the pets!). Somehow she also manages to

community like Independence we're off to a great start!

Be sure to check out each issue of our *In the Know with PTCO* to make sure you are kept in the loop on all that is happening in our school.

You can also follow us on Facebook by searching Independence Elementary PTCO and liking our page or click the link below:

<https://www.facebook.com/independenceelementaryptco/>

find time to take classes in Food Science and Human Nutrition!

If you really want to make Kori happy offer her some tacos!



We are so lucky to have Kori on our PTCO! Thank you for all that you do to make our school amazing!



Fundraiser News

We had a terrific turn out for our first Ice Cream Night of the year at **Imagirifik**. Our school made almost \$300 just for treating yourselves! Now that is giving back!

Thank you to everyone who purchased **spirit wear**! We hope to have those ready within the next few weeks.

Keep saving those **Box Tops**! Last year we collected over 1000 Box Tops, let's beat that this year!

Boosterthon is coming! This year's theme is Castle Quest! Our students will learn the "Six Virtues of a TRUE HERO" from a cast of colorful characters. They will learn about focus, self-awareness, respect, trustworthiness, creativity, and being a life-learner.

Tue, Oct. 3rd -Pep Rally (In Classrooms)

Wed, Oct. 4th - Wed, Oct. 11th -

Boosterthon Huddles - First 15 min. of Specials each day

Thurs, Oct. 12th - **Fun Run!** K-2: 8:20 am and 3-5: 9:30am

Volunteer News

With our new **Volunteer Coordinators**, Jennifer Vigil and Cassondra StClair, you will be sure to know where we need help in the school. We have received a large number of volunteers, but we can always use more! If you wish to be added to our volunteer list you can email:

independence.ptcoindy@gmail.com

A great way to volunteer is to join in on our **PTCO meetings** to see where we might need help. Our next meeting is on October 17th in the school library. Children are always welcome.

Want to be a **Watch Dog Dad**? This program has brought many dads, step dads, grandfathers, uncles and brothers into our school to build positive relationships with our students.

Watch Dogs Pizza night is the yearly kick-off for this program. The evening is loaded with dads and children eating pizza together. Free Pizza, Drinks and Fun! Come see what being a Watch Dog Dad is all about!

Tues, Sept. 26th- Pizza Night! K-2: 5:30pm and 3 -5: 6:30pm

Dates to Remember

Tues, Sept. 26th- Watch Dog Dad's Pizza Night! K-2: 5:30pm and 3 -5: 6:30pm

Wed, Oct. 18th - Skate City Night: 6pm-8pm

Thurs, Oct. 12th - **Boosterthon Fun Run!** K-2: 8:20 am and 3-5: 9:30am

Oct.23rd - Oct.27th - Fall Break!!

Tues, Oct. 17th - PTCO Meeting in the school library: 6pm-7pm

Tues, Oct.31st - Halloween Parade

Don't miss out!

Community Corner

Community Corner is a place where we can share stories from our community that encourage others or just warm the heart!

Last week an anonymous woman in our community paid off every overdue lunch account at our elementary school! Even though the check was for \$400, this woman has no kids in the school....or any kids all. But, she knew there was a need and a way that she could help. Anonymous woman, you have warmed many hearts, filled many stomachs, and

eased many parent's minds. Our school is forever thankful!

This is just one example of wonderful people in our neighborhood going out to their way to help others.

Do you know someone who deserves to be recognized for their selflessness? Have an uplifting story you want to share?

Email ahull5@cherrycreekschools.org and you might just see your story in the next *In the Know with PTCO*.



Appreciation Station

Thank you to all of our amazing sponsors! These businesses in our community help support our students throughout the year, but also provide fees to allow us to do the Boosterthon Fun Run.

We could not do this without you!

- Dance Scene Studios
- Imagirifik Ice Cream
- Casa Vallarta
- Colorado Tang Soo Do
- Advanced Orthodontics



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all succeed."*

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