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We utilize **COLLABORATION**, **CRITICAL THINKING**, **COMMUNICATION**, and **CREATIVITY**.

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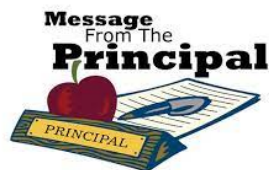
Arvada Campus Office/Attendance Line: 303-423-3377

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Refer to the school website calendar for a complete list of school events.

| <u>EVENTS</u> | <u>DATE/TIME</u> |
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| 1st Month Burrito Wednesday | <ul style="list-style-type: none">First Wednesday of the Month - \$2.00 each from 7:30 a.m.-7:50 a.m. NEXT DATE is October 4th |
| Friday Hat License for \$1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Every Friday morning students may purchase a hat license for \$1.00. |
| Fall Festival | <ul style="list-style-type: none">TONIGHT! Friday, September 8th, 5:00 p.m.- 7:30 p.m. |
| Drama Club Meeting | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Monday, September 11th, 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. |
| Resource Table | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Check out the resource section at the end of the newsletter for a variety of helpful information |
| Athletics | <ul style="list-style-type: none">HS Volleyball: Friday, 9/15 @ Golden View - 5:30HS Cross Country: Friday 9/8 @ Wolverine Invite - Montfort ParkVolleyball Home Games Volunteer Sign-Up |

Welcome to our Weekly School Newsletter!



Please plan on joining us this evening for our Fall Festival. This is an incredible event for the whole family! In addition, please take a couple of minutes to complete our short Back-to-School Fall Survey (linked below). Families can earn an entire hour of volunteer time just for completing the survey!

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT



Ms. Benko Technology Teacher- Hello! I am Sara Benko, the K-12, Computer Technology teacher at Two Roads Charter School. I moved here from Akwesasne, NY and am part of the St Regis Mohawk Tribe. I have been at Two Roads for 2 years and in education for 6. I am currently a PHD candidate at Syracuse University for Instructional Design, Development and Evaluation. I am an industrious educator with a solid history of successfully stepping into diverse classroom environments and supporting students with solid lectures, discussions, and activities, particular interest being in Virtual reality, augmented reality and computer technology. I am caring and passionate about working with various age groups and deeply committed to enhancing and supporting comprehensive education. This is one of the reasons I love Two Roads; the support for staff, students and families enhances the collaboration and creativity of our students.



Ms. Ferguson - Theater and English Electives Teacher - Hello, Two Roads families! I am the theatre director at the Arvada campus and this year will be my fourth at Two Roads. I love all things performing arts and have been performing in some capacity since I was six years old. What I like most about Two Roads is the ability to work with students of all grade levels and build their confidence in front of a crowd. In my spare time, I am a working musician, avid reader, and amateur cook.

Newsletter Key:



= new information in the newsletter



= volunteer opportunities



= event information



= meeting information



Dress Code Clarification - No Playboy Clothing

Students are not allowed to wear Playboy clothing at any time. As a reminder, here is what our Two Roads dress code (published in our Family Handbook) states about clothing of this nature: “Students are not allowed to wear clothing with gang symbols, **sexual content**, or content deemed inappropriate (included but not limited to drug or alcohol references). **If a student’s dress or appearance is deemed as inappropriate or disruptive in any way, the student will be asked to correct the situation.** Parents/guardians may be called to assist the student in obtaining the appropriate attire. Refusal by the student to comply will result in disciplinary action up to and including suspension.”



Please Take the Back-to-School Fall Survey



As directed by the Two Roads Board of Directors, the School Accountability Committee (SAC) is conducting this parent survey to determine your opinions focused on enrollment, registration, and the first few weeks of school. Please take a few minutes to fill out the survey and to articulate your feedback in the comment boxes. Your responses are anonymous. The results of the survey will be provided to the Two Roads Board, the School Accountability Committee, and to administration. We value your time and input. This survey will close Wednesday, September 20th at 3:00 p.m. Two Roads Back-to-School Fall survey link:

[SURVEY LINK](#)



Drama Club, ThesCon, & Talent Show

The first **drama club meeting** is this upcoming Monday, September 11th in my room from 3-4:30pm. This is not mandatory and you do not need to sign up anywhere--you just show up! If you would like to attend, please arrange transportation so you can be picked up promptly at 4:30.

The first ThesCon field trip deadline is approaching: the attached registration form is due September 15th. Again, this is optional, but an excellent learning opportunity for all secondary students. Payment and other paperwork isn't due until the 29th. See the slideshow from the theatre info meeting for more details.

Finally, **talent show auditions** are coming up this month as well! I will post the sign up sheet on the call board soon, but plan on carving out ten minutes between 3-6pm on Tuesday, September 26th if you want to audition. Please come with your act fully prepared (memorized, well-rehearsed, and professional) and remember that you will have to supply any materials you need aside from a keyboard and a microphone.

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Did you know Two Roads is on Facebook and Instagram? Please follow us on both! "Like" us on Instagram at "tworoadsfalcons" and on Facebook at Two Roads Charter School.



Two Roads Charter School



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Reminder: Pay Your Fees

The fee portal is now open and directions on how to pay fees through the Campus Family Portal are included below. Please ensure all fees are paid by September 30.

[Campus Parent Portal](#)

[How to Pay Fees Through Campus Parent Portal](#)

If you have questions regarding your fees please email connie.wennen@jeffco.k12.co.us.



Jeffco Charter School Consortium (JCSC) -

BOARD CANDIDATES JCSC will be hosting a school board candidate forum on Wednesday, Sept. 27th, 6:30 to 8 PM at Addenbrooke Classical Academy. This forum will be

the only school board forum focused solely on charter school issues. All parents/guardians are welcome and encouraged to attend. Two seats will be on the Nov. 7th ballot. While directors must reside within a specific director boundary, the entire county votes on candidates in each of the director districts.

After School Club Classes for Secondary Students

Here are two current clubs taking place after school each week:

- Tuesday: Digital Photography 3:00pm - 3:45pm in Ms. Benko's room
- Friday: Video Game Club 3:00pm - 4:00pm in Ms. Benko's room

Students in grades 6th-12th are encouraged to participate!

Join Our Two Roads Committees/Groups

Come be involved at Two Roads! Here are the descriptions for each committee and a link to sign up: [LINK](#)

SAC (School Accountability Committee)

The SAC is looking for interested individuals who want to work closely with the principal to create family surveys, look closely at testing data, and more. The SAC is made up of individuals from both campuses and every program offered at Two Roads (homeschool families, full time families, elementary families, secondary families, and more). The SAC meets five times a year (virtually via Google Meet) on Tuesday evenings from 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Foundation

Foundation Mission: The Two Roads Foundation purpose is to provide financial assistance to support the needs, efforts and mission of Two Roads Charter School. The Foundation is a resource to financially support the administration, teachers, and educational and social programs at Two Roads Charter School through grants, fundraisers and donations from our school community, businesses, and non-profit organizations. We work to fund school-wide programs and projects that will benefit a majority of students such as: school technology and funding academic needs to support classrooms. The Foundation is an independent, non-profit organization with its own board of directors. The Two Roads Foundation is its own separate non profit organization, but we report to and follow guidance from the Two Roads Board of Directors. The Foundation is completely managed and run by volunteers, made up of individuals from both campuses of Two Roads Charter, including staff and parents. Which means as a parent who serves on The Foundation, all of your volunteer hours will be covered for the year. The Foundation meets once per month and work to plan fundraising opportunities as well as hosting 1-2 fundraising events per year in which members will need to be involved. We also help support boosters, and encourage them in their own fundraising to more specifically support needs for things like music, art, theater, etc. The Foundation meets on the third Wednesday of each month, during the school year, from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Two Roads Board of Directors

The Two Roads Board is looking for leaders who have skill sets and perspectives that align with our school's strategies, goals, and needs — not just now, but into the future. And it's not just about recruiting one great individual; it's about having the right blend of skill sets, expertise, community connections, and diverse perspectives and spheres of influence across the board as a whole.

Charter schools are unique in that they are “parent-governed” schools. This is done through the election of board members. The purpose of the board as elected representatives is to direct, not manage, the school. Board members are a policy setting group, and through policy, direct administration within the Mission and Vision Statements of Two Roads.

The qualifications and commitments of a candidate include:

Be in agreement with our Vision Statement which states: “Two Roads is a highly sought after program providing rigorous academics addressing the unique educational needs of traditional and homeschooled students; all

students are empowered to develop confidence, define their future and achieve.”

Support our Mission Statement which states: “Two Roads achieves its vision using 21st Century Learning employing and valuing critical thinking, communication, collaboration, and creativity. Homeschooled and traditionally schooled students are challenged in a rigorous academic environment to reach their highest potential.”

- Be in agreement with the educational philosophy, discipline policy and administrative structure of Two Roads.
- Complete 30 Board Modules through *eNet Learning*, attend monthly meetings which occur every fourth Tuesday of the month, and the Board Retreat.
- Be committed to act in a manner that sustains and supports both our traditionally educated and homeschooled students. It is not the Board's responsibility to manage the day-to-day operation of the school.
- Provide support to and oversight of school function and administration.
- Create and set policies that support the school's Vision and Mission.
- Serve as a liaison between the school and the larger community.
- Be willing to fulfill a 3-year term.

Do you want to be involved in one of these three committees/groups? Here is a sign up link:

<https://forms.gle/G5EJ7t7os4Litxv7>

[Carpool Help Requested for Two Families](#)

One of our Two Roads families is requesting carpool help two mornings a week. If you can assist contact the following parent:

Scott Gulley 303-961-3907

Looking for car pooling Tues & Thurs. Morning

Willing to compensate

Located in the Lake Arbor area

Club Crest Dr and 88th Ave.

Another parent is requesting assistance transporting her child from the Lakewood Warren Tech location back to Two Roads. If any one is coming from there and can help please contact Lisa Elrod and ericelrod@comcast.net.

[Kona Ice Coming to Two Roads!](#)

We will have a Kona Ice truck onsite after school on the following days:

- September 20th
- October 4th



[TONIGHT - Fall Festival](#)

This is great fun for the entire family. **All ages are welcome.** The Festival features unlimited carnival games (with prizes) with the purchase of a \$10 wristband. You do not need a wristband to enter. The wristband allows you to play unlimited games.

Fall Festival is Friday, September 8th, from 5:00 - 7:30 p.m.

[Festival Schedule](#)

[Dunk Tank Schedule](#)

[Concessions Menu](#)



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Don't miss out on our 22-23 Two Roads Arvada yearbook! Orders placed by September 30th will receive 10% off! Don't delay. Order now! Here's how to order: <https://www.treering.com/purchase?PassCode=1015594886292201>

With every purchase there are two free customizable pages. These two custom pages are FREE and are printed ONLY in the purchased book.



[Before & After School Childcare](#)

Before and after school care is here! Are you interested? If so, reach out to Amy at astele@arvadapreschool.com to receive an enrollment packet. Our hours will be Monday thru Friday, 7 am until 8 am and 3 pm until 5:30 pm.

[Lunch at Two Roads](#)

Two Roads will not be serving lunch this year. Students must bring a lunch each day. We provide a few microwaves for student use but no refrigeration. We understand the district messaging regarding free meals for all students; however, this does not automatically apply to charters. We plan to participate in this program in the future, but it is not an option for us this year.

[Student Dress Code](#)

Please speak to your child to ensure our student dress code (page 20 of our Two Roads Family Handbook) is followed at school.

Dress Code

Students, staff and families are expected to dress in a manner that denotes self-respect and does not cause, or has the potential of causing, embarrassment, derisive or derogatory comments, or disruption.

- Undergarments (with the exception of bra straps) should not be exposed at any time.
- Footwear is required at all times.
- Hats and hoodies worn up over the head may not be worn in school buildings (exceptions may include school sponsored events or spirit days).
- Students are not allowed to wear clothing with gang symbols, sexual content, or content deemed inappropriate (included but not limited to drug or alcohol references).
- Students enrolled in a Physical Education class are expected to dress appropriately. Athletic shoes are required – students without appropriate footwear will not be permitted to participate. In addition, in Arvada a school issued PE shirt should be worn to every PE class.

If a student's dress or appearance is deemed as inappropriate or disruptive in any way, the student will be asked to correct the situation. Parents/guardians may be called to assist the student in obtaining the appropriate attire. Refusal by the student to comply will result in disciplinary action up to and including suspension.



[Volunteer Hours](#)

Check out all Volunteer opportunities here: [Arvada Service Hours](#). In this one document you will find opportunities from now until the end of the semester. The list is also available on our website. Thank you in advance for your support!



[Safety Response Protocols - New Handout](#)

Student safety is a top priority at Two Roads. Here is a link to our Safety Protocols: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Hhs5jpLzzBw1JdrfTLOEcONLk8trSuXI/view?usp=sharing>

[Order Your Two Roads Letter Jacket!](#)

Two Roads is working with a new letter jacket company. If your high schooler would like to order a letter jacket, please contact B&H Renegade Sports. Here is the contact info:

- **Address:** 4550 S Kipling PKWY, Suite 11 Denver, CO 80127
- **Phone:** (303) 986-9515
- **Email:** renegadebhsports@yahoo.com



[Download the Box Top App!](#)

Want an easy way to donate money to the school without costing you a thing? Well, download the Box Top app on your phone and set Two Roads as your donating school. After shopping, use the app to take a picture of your receipt. All Box Top qualifying items will automatically add 10 cents per item to our school. It is easy!


[Attendance](#)

Students may arrive as early as 7:45 in the morning. Please do not arrive earlier. Building doors will open at 7:45 a.m. Students must be picked up no later than 3:15 p.m. Remember it will take a few minutes to get to the first class, so please be on time. The first bell rings at 8:00 a.m. and students who are not in their seats when the bell rings will be tardy. Our teachers work hard to prepare lessons and it is important to be in class on time.

[Athletics:](#)

High School Cross Country: Our runners head to Monfort Park and the Wolverine Invite. Our runners continue to post PR times!

High School Volleyball: Volleyball swept Mile High 3-0 in their first home game this season. This week, our team traveled to Ascent North (W 3-2) and Ascent Classical for Tuesday/Thursday matchups. Next week, our team will travel to Golden View on Friday looking to continue to build on a strong start.

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| Family Service Hours | Check out the links - Volunteer Opportunities |
| Fees | Your contact for fee questions or payment questions is our Financial Secretary, Connie Wennen. You may reach Connie by emailing connie.wennen@jeffco.k12.co.us or by calling 303-423-3377 Ext. 284. The parent portal for viewing your statement and paying fees online is linked here: Campus Parent Portal |

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| | How to Pay Fees Through Campus Parent Portal |
| Grading Practices | <p>This year’s grading changes are based on the work of a Two Roads teacher committee and the book “Grading for Equity”.</p> <p>Two Roads Grading Practices Document</p> <p>This 2R Press includes a weekly “article” on our grading practices. Check out this short video synopsis and other electronic resources:</p> <p>Grading for Equity: What it is, Why it matters, and how it transforms schools and classrooms</p> <p>Podcast on Harvard Edcast: Grading for Equity</p> <p>TEDx-Normal: Making Grading Pointless Jay Percell</p> |
| Homeschool Resources | <p>Check out this folder of material presented at our Littleton Homeschool Coffees. Contents are updated as meetings occur. Please check the folder for anything you might have missed. If you have questions about any of the resources please email lisa.wick@jeffco.k12.co.us.</p> <p>Homeschool Coffee Parent Resources</p> <p>Homeschool Curriculum Options</p> <p>Curriculum Request Form</p> |
| Lettering Applications | <p>All lettering applications are due by the last Thursday in April at 3:00 p.m. No late submissions will be considered. When using the links below, you will be prompted to make a copy of the application.</p> <p>Academic Letter</p> <p>Athletics Letter</p> <p>Community Service Letter</p> <p>Drama Letter</p> <p>Music Letter</p> <p>Visual Arts Letter</p> |
| MAP Testing | <p>Family Guide to Map Growth PDF</p> <p>MAP Family Toolkit - Website</p> <p>Student Progress Report_Quick Reference PDF</p> |
| National Honor Society | <p>Students who meet eligibility requirements (necessary sustained GPA) will be invited to apply in January of each year. To view the application packet use the following link:</p> <p>NHS Application Packet</p> |
| Password Reset | <p>Parent/Guardian Password Reset Tool</p> <p>Student Password Reset</p> |
| Questions | <p>Unsure of who to contact with your question? Please start by emailing tworoadsquestions@gmail.com</p> |
| Schoology | <p>Parent login is your same login for Jeffco Connect and Infinite Campus. Parents and students should NOT be logged in on the same computer. Student username is the student number, password is their 8 digit birthdate</p> <p>Schoology Parent Notifications - Website Article</p> <p>Schoology Parent View - Website Video</p> |
| Volunteer Opportunities | <p>Check out the links on our website- Volunteer Opportunities</p> |

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