

## Important dates

Monday January 18- **NO SCHOOL**

Tuesday January 19- All students K-5, return to school in person (Phase 4)

Monday January 11- BCO meeting

Tuesday January 19- StamRead begins

## StamREAD information

Hello Bennett families – On Friday, January 8th we will be placing a starter kit in your student’s mailbox introducing our largest fundraiser for the year...the BRONCO STAMREAD! The StamREAD is a read-a-thon that will run from January 19th through the 29th. Registration begins the week of January 11th. The registration process may be a bit lengthy, but we encourage you to stick with it because our goal is to continue to encourage our kids to read and raise money for our Renaissance Learning program. Renaissance Learning is purchased for Bennett Elementary by the BCO and provides Accelerated Reader and STAR testing to our students! Once your child logs their first reading session on January 19th they will automatically be entered into our raffle for some great prizes. They will also receive a free book selected by Bennett Librarian, Mrs. Larson, based on their grade level! Books will be delivered to eligible students after the conclusion of the StamREAD. Be on the lookout for a video announcement with more details on the BCO website (<https://sites.google.com/view/bennett-community-organization/bronco-stamread>) and the Bennett Community Organization – BCO Facebook page. Thank you for your support! Sincerely, The Bennett Community Organization (BCO)

## Counselor Corner

See the attached flyer for a FREE Zoom parent support center.

[Parent support.pdf](#)

## BCO News

Welcome to 2021 and Happy National Old Rock Day from the Bennett Community Organization! Your PTO, the BCO! I am Eric, your BCO Co-President. This old rock is back for more fun BCO action! We are looking forward to working with you, and providing more great resources for our students in 2021

This school year has presented many challenges to Bennett Elementary and the BCO. We have not been able to hold any of our traditional major fundraisers such as the Bronco Stampede, Spaghetti Dinner, and Sock Hop. As a result, we are significantly behind in fundraising, and many of the programs and opportunities that the BCO provides to our students are in jeopardy.

The BCO has worked hard this year to find a fundraising opportunity that every family can get behind. Something that speaks to each student. All of these fundraisers are easy ways to contribute to Bennett Elementary's students!

Enter...the Bronco StamREAD! From January 19th through the 29th we will be hosting Bennett's first annual read-a-thon! This event will be our biggest fundraiser this school year with the primary goal to pay for Bennett's annual subscription to Renaissance Learning. Renaissance Learning is purchased for Bennett Elementary by the BCO and provides Accelerated Reader and STAR math programs to our students! Our goal is to raise \$50.00 per student, which would raise approximately \$16,000.00 for Bennett Elementary. More information will be coming home at the end of this week. Registration starts on Monday! We have some fun events and prizes planned to support all of our readers and emerging readers!

Please join us for the BCO Meeting on Monday, January 11th at 7pm! We will be discussing past and current events including the upcoming Bronco StamREAD. We will also hear an update from the Bennett office and answer any questions you have as we head into 2021.

7:00-7:45 - [meet.google.com/hgw-byft-vkq](https://meet.google.com/hgw-byft-vkq)

Thank you for supporting the BCO and Bennett Elementary!

Eric Bowman

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## AlphaBest

AlphaBest is a before and after school program offered here at Bennett. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

[Alpha Best January.pdf](#)

## PSD superintendent search

The Board of Education would like to hear input as it searches for the next Poudre School District superintendent. Parents/guardians, students, staff and other members of the PSD community are invited to complete a survey.

- The survey takes about 10 minutes and must be completed by Jan. 22.
- English survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PSDsearch>
- Spanish survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PSDbusqueda>
- Hazard Young Attea & Associates, a search firm hired by the Board of Education, will compile input gathered from the survey, forums and invite-only focus groups and create a leadership profile report that will be presented at the board's public Feb. 9 meeting.

The school board will also solicit diverse ideas from numerous stakeholder groups, including parents/guardians and students, through a series of facilitated, invitation-only, online January forums. Event information is posted on the PSD Superintendent Search web page, which is the primary source of information for the hiring search. We encourage everyone to share their voices as part of this important process. Once on the PSD Superintendent Search web page users can translate the content. Click on the word "Translate" along the top, green navigation bar and select your desired language from the list displayed.

Encuesta en línea y foros con respecto a la búsqueda de el/la superintendente del PSD: La Junta de Educación desea conocer su opinión mientras busca a el/la próximo(a) superintendente del Distrito Escolar Poudre. Se invita a los padres de

familia/tutores legales, los estudiantes, el personal y otros miembros de la comunidad del PSD a responder una encuesta.

- Les tomará unos 10 minutos responderla, y estará disponible hasta el 22 de enero.

- Encuesta en inglés: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PSDsearch>

- Encuesta en español: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PSDbusqueda>

- Hazard Young Attea & Associates, una firma de búsqueda que ha sido contratada por la Junta de Educación, recopilará las opiniones provenientes de la encuesta, los foros y los grupos específicos de enfoque, y elaborará un informe sobre el perfil de liderazgo que se presentará el 9 de febrero en la reunión pública de esta Junta.

La Junta de Educación también solicitará ideas de numerosos grupos de partes interesadas, como padres de familia/tutores legales y estudiantes, a través de una serie de foros que se facilitarán en línea en enero. La información sobre los eventos se publicará en la página web Búsqueda de el/la Superintendente del PSD (PSD Superintendent Search), la cual será la fuente de información primordial para la búsqueda. Los animamos para que todos compartan sus ideas, como parte de este importante proceso. Pueden leer la traducción del contenido de la página web “Búsqueda de el/la Superintendente del PSD” (PSD Superintendent Search) al hacer clic en la palabra "Traducir", situada en la parte superior de la barra de navegación verde, y seleccionar el idioma que deseen de la lista que se muestra (“Spanish” para español).

## Report Cards

PSD is excited to announce that we have updated our elementary report cards. The new report cards provide additional consistency among schools and across grade levels. They are also updated to better align with the academic and personal development skills contained within our Colorado standards. Families will be able to access report cards in ParentVUE at the end of each semester in both January and June. **January 11 after 4:30, is when the first semester report cards can be accessed.** This document will help explain the new report cards. [New Report cards \(1\).pdf](#)