



KING ELEMENTARY

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National Blue Ribbon School



DECEMBER 2017

PERMITS

The **Choice Open Enrollment** window for the 2016-2017 school year is open **November 1, 2017** through **February 15, 2018**. Choice enrollment is open to both residents and non-residents of District 11.

If you move outside of King's attendance area, please notify the office so that we may offer you a permit if you choose to remain at King.

DEC. 1
MOVIE NIGHT
6:00PM

DEC. 5 - 8
HOLIDAY GIFT
SHOP OPEN

DEC. 11
LION CHOIR
WINTER CONCERT
1:30PM & 6:30PM

DEC. 13
BAND & ORCHESTRA
CONCERT
1:30PM

WINTER BREAK
DEC. 18 – JAN. 4



December, 2017

King Community,
Happy Holidays! We hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving and are ready for the holiday season! One thing I know I am thankful for is the fact that you all have trusted us at King to teach, grow, and develop your children. At King, we realize what a privilege it is to serve this community and work with your students.

One of the best parts about working at King is to see a community gather together and support one another. In November, our PTA supported over 14 families by providing turkeys and Thanksgiving meals. In addition, our Student Council raised nearly \$600 and collected enough food items to fill our stage in the gym. All this food and money went to Care and Share's Harvest of Love event. These are great opportunities for our students to learn about service, community and generosity.

As shared in previous newsletters, our staff is working hard to implement the Capturing Kids' Hearts program in an effort to connect with every student in our school. This month and next we will have a CKH consultant visit King to provide our staff feedback and input on how we can improve on our implementation of the CKH strategies. One of the most important strategies is that all staff members use common language in addressing student misbehavior or disrespect. In an effort to do that, we implement what is called the 4 Questions of CKH:

1. What are you doing?
2. What should you be doing?
3. Are you doing it?
4. What are you going to do about it?

When asking students to answer these questions, staff members maintain a calm demeanor, a caring tone, and they expect students to answer the questions out loud. Answering these questions prompts students to consider their behavior and to consider a viable solution to fixing their behavior. There are times when we also ask a 5th question: What happens if I have to talk to you about this again (introducing a consequence if the behavior continues). We have found these questions to be effective and efficient and encourage you to try using them at home.

Once again, I hope you all have a wonderful holiday season as we lead in to the New Year! The month of December is a busy one at King Elementary. Please check out the rest of the newsletter for school information including upcoming events (we have a couple of music concerts coming up this month), PTA information (Holiday Shop), and severe weather/school closure procedures. All newsletters can be found on our school website: <https://www.d11.org/domain/1503>

Chris Lehman
Principal
King Elementary



Music News...Mrs. McCampbel

The Lion Choir will present a Winter Concert on Monday, December 11th, at 1:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. This promises to be an enjoyable event. Don't miss it! Also, the Lion Choir will be attending the Doherty Spartan Spotlight on Saturday, February 24th. Best wishes, Lion Choir!

Community Garden Fund Raiser

The King Community Garden Committee is hosting a silent auction from December 5th through the 12th to raise funds for building our garden. Our first goal is to raise enough money for the water and fence for the garden area. We have been applying for community grants and a plan is taking formation! If we are able to raise enough funds, we hope to break ground on the garden next Spring. You have an opportunity to support this work by participating in our silent auction fund raiser. We are grateful for the local businesses that contributed to this fund raiser.

For more information about the items up for bid, visit our school FaceBook page: <https://www.facebook.com/king.d11/posts/1924794480881241>

Sever Weather and School Closure Procedures:

Please remember that we are heading into the winter months in Colorado. It is important that you dress your students appropriately for the cold. If the yellow flag is up in the morning, students are welcome to come directly inside to the gym before school starts. Our plan is to keep students inside if the temperature (including wind chill) is below 17 degrees.

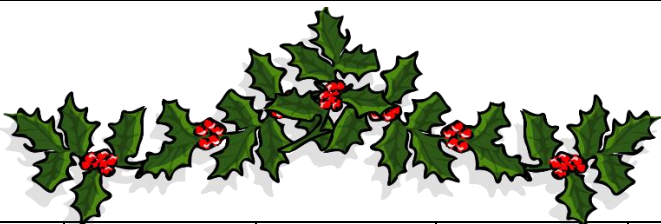
For information about District 11 process for closing schools due to weather, check out this link at D11.org: <https://www.d11.org/Weather> .

D11 Thanks You!

We would like to take a moment to say "THANKS!" to our community! Thanks for making education a priority in Colorado Springs and for supporting the District 11 Mill Levy Override in last month's elections. Superintendent Dr. Gledich has posted a video that expresses his gratitude and explains next steps with the MLO: <https://www.d11.org/Page/133> .

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