

# Bauder Bugle

## April 2026 Newsletter



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### **Principal's Message**

Hello Bauder families,

I hope everyone enjoyed their Spring Break in the middle of March. I know students and staff have been enjoying the lovely spring weather. The students have especially been enjoying the new Gaga Ball pit that was purchased by our PTO and installed recently.



Our 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade students have been getting psyched up to do well on CMAS, the standardized state tests that they start taking next week. These tests are really the way that the state keeps tabs on how the schools are doing. It's essentially a report card for Bauder. It's also a snapshot for you to see your students' progress. Hopefully, it's not a stressful experience for your child. I know my own children always enjoyed these couple of weeks because they got extra recess, snacks, and no homework! I'm confident that our Bauder students will continue to show great growth. Students test best when they test with their peers, so please make sure they are here at school and on time on the test days.

We recently had a very big event with the culmination of our Battle of the Books after school program. We had over 80 students participate again this year! It made me so proud to see so many students participating in an event they needed to read six different books over the last several months. I would like to send out a big thanks to all the parents, community members, and staff who helped coach teams and an extra big thanks to Mrs. Newman who organized the whole experience!

Go Bauder Bucks!

Stephen Boese  
Principal  
Bauder Elementary

Support for kids carrying more than they should.

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES



Dates to Remember:



April

- Friday 04/03 Donuts with Dear Ones 8:25- 8:45am Must RSVP to Ewhite@psdschools.org
Tuesday 04/07 PTO meeting 6:30-7:30pm
Wednesday 04/08 Chipotle Fundraiser 5:00-9:00pm
Mon-Fri 04/20-04/24 Volunteer Appreciation Week
Mon-Thur 04/20-04/22 Book Fair Varied Hours
Wednesday 04/22 Family Night 5:00-7:00pm
Thursday 04/23 No School -Teacher district PD
Friday 04/24 No School - Teacher Exchange day/Classified PD
Wednesday 04/29 SAAC meeting 5:00-6:00pm

May

- Friday 05/01 Flag Parade 9:15-11:45 am
Mon-Fri 05/03-05/08 Staff Appreciation Week
Monday 05/18 Talent Show 3rd-5th grade 10:30-11:30am
K-2 grade 2:05-3:00pm
Monday 05/25 No School Memorial Day
Tuesday 05/26 Field Day
Wednesday 05/27 5th Grade promotion ceremony 9:30-11:30am
Last day of school dismissal time 12:35pm

2026-2027 Kindergarten Registration



It is time to register your student for 2026-2027 Kindergarten registration. Registrations are online at Psdschools.org.

CLICK IT Click on the Ads in this Newsletter ...to learn more about these great companies!

UNEARTH A STORY DESENTIERRA UNA HISTORIA Summer Adventure Aventuras de verano 05/27 - 08/14 poudre libraries MORE INFO / MÁS INFORMACIÓN @ poudrelibraries.org/summer

## Book Fair 4/20 – 4/22

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming! SAVE THE DATE for April 20<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> and get your reader psyched to pick out their own books! Start exploring together:

<https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/bauderelementaryschool1>







Students will be able to purchase books from the book fair during their specific library time. Follow us on social media for updates and book fair after school hours. Information will also be included in Bauder's Thursday updates!

This year's Book Fair is going to be epic! More Books. More Choices. More Fun.


## Family Night Wednesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>

 Bauder Community Fun Night – Let's Ride Into the Fun! 

Get ready for one of the most fun nights of the year at Bauder Elementary! Join us on Wednesday, April 22 from 5:00–7:00 PM for Community Fun Night, a completely FREE celebration of the amazing Bauder community. It's a night to connect, laugh, play, and spend time together with friends, families, teachers, and neighbors.

And because we live in such an incredible bike-friendly community, we're encouraging everyone to ride their bikes to Bauder!    

This year we're introducing a Bike Line, where local bike experts will offer quick tune-ups and safety checks, so your ride is ready for the season. We'll also have a bike parking area so you can roll right up and join the fun.

Bonus: Every bike that rolls through the Bike Line earns an extra entry into our raffle for fun prizes! 

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Sponsorship space in this newsletter is extremely affordable!

Reach parents in your local community & a significant portion of your investment goes back to the school!

Want to sponsor this school?

Please contact Rob Mangelson at [Rob@tscacolorado.com](mailto:Rob@tscacolorado.com) or (720) 878-4107.

An advertisement for Health District. It features a woman hugging a child. The text reads: "Health District Questions about Health Coverage? We Can Help! LarimerHealthConnect.org • 970-472-0444 Se Habla Español". There are decorative wavy lines at the bottom.

## Family Night Wednesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> *continued*

Once you arrive, the fun keeps going with:

- ✦ 30+ community vendors
- 🍕 Free pizza, salad, and dessert
- 🎨 Crafts
- ⚽ Sports zone
- 👤 Face painting
- 📷 Photo booth
- 🏃 Obstacle course
- 📖 Book Fair

...and so much more!

Community Fun Night is all about celebrating what makes Bauder special—our families, our friendships, and the joy of spending time together.

So, pump up those bike tires, grab your helmets, and ride on over for a night of fun, laughter, and community spirit!

More details—and volunteer opportunities—coming soon. We can't wait to see you there! 🚲 🏃



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## Artist of the Week

Hello! My name is Ms. Svendsen, and I am the art teacher at Bauder. Every week, I feature one artist as 'Artist of the Week'. I am looking for students who have a creative approach to artmaking, or who spend a lot of time and effort on their art. I do this to spotlight the hard work of unique artists in our school community. Congratulations to our March artists: Luca K., Rowan R., Dante D. & Elias V.



## 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Enrichment Music Program

On March 9<sup>th</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade Enrichment students had a choir performance. These 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade students choose Music as their Monday enrichment class. They performed a trio of songs. It was an enjoyable evening for all who attended.



## Read Across America Week

Students and staff celebrated Read Across America Week March 2<sup>nd</sup> – March 6<sup>th</sup> with guest readers, dress up days and each student had an opportunity to receive a free book. Reading for elementary students enhances language skills, improves academic performance, boosts critical thinking and helps prepare them for future success. Reading aloud to your children is a valuable activity that creates skills for reading success that your child will carry throughout their life.



## Bauder Talent Show

3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders and families

We hope that you have had time to think and plan for a Talent Show Act! Are you good at dancing, singing, gymnastics, playing an instrument, martial arts, magic, joke telling, etc.? If so, the Talent Show Auditions are quickly approaching! Audition forms went home in Thursday Folders. If you are interested in auditioning, please fill out the form, get a parent's signature, and return it to Mrs. Vigil as soon as possible! The DUE DATE to return the form is Wednesday, April 22nd!



You will be auditioning in front of your grade level peers at Encore on Monday, May 11th! So, make sure that you are well prepared! We can't wait to see what special talents we have here at Bauder!

## Bauder Yearbook Deadline to Purchase April 6<sup>th</sup>

Each year Bauder has an amazing yearbook with the front and back covers designed by our own Bauder students. The front cover of the yearbook this year was designed by Xochitl S. and the back cover was designed by Elora E.



The yearbook has each student's picture, pictures from the school year and fun classroom pictures. Yearbooks are \$20.00. You can purchase with cash or order online. We do not order extras, so don't miss out. Please place your order at [ybpay.lifetouch.com](http://ybpay.lifetouch.com) with the ID code 14474326.

Deadline to place an order is April 6, 2026.

## Volunteers Needed to Move Bauder Soccer Goals

Volunteers, we need your help. Our soccer goals are getting damaged on the days when we are not in school for multiple days. We need volunteers to come and move the soccer goals into the building before breaks and back out after breaks. This will require some simple disassembly and assembly, but nothing too difficult. If we can get 4 volunteers, it may go quicker than the allotted time. There are 4 goals in total, two on the east side and two on the west side of the building. Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C48AFAB2FA5F9C70-63114335-bauder>

## Bauder Flag Parade

Bauder International flag parade and Passports around the World will be held Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup> from 9:15-11:30. Show off your cultural pride to our school by marching with other students from the same country as you! Email your student's teacher if you want to join in the fun!

## CMAS Testing Information

Colorado Measures of Academic Success (CMAS) tests will be held during the month of April. Students will test with their grade levels on the following days:

GRADE	Assessment and Date	Assessment and Date	Assessment and Date	Assessment and Date
Third	English Language Arts 4/7, 4/8, 4/9	Math – 4/14, 4/15, 4/16		Make Ups – 4/17 - 4/23
Fourth	English Language Arts 4/7, 4/8, 4/9	Math – 4/14, 4/15, 4/16		Make Ups – 4/17 - 4/23
Fifth	English Language Arts 4/7, 4/8, 4/9	Math – 4/10, 4/14, 4/15	Science – 4/16, 4/17	Make Ups – 4/17 - 4/23

We will make minor adjustments to our daily schedule to make sure everyone still visits Encore classes and has a smooth day. The CMAS assessments align to the content taught in the classroom every day and are designed to measure real world skills.

These tests are only one measure of a child's achievement. For the most complete information on a student's progress, contact your student's teacher. The entire body of evidence—class assignments, formative and summative assessments, and projects—paints a clearer picture of student progress. If you wish to opt your student out of testing, please contact Emily White for this information. If you want more information regarding CMAS testing, please visit the Colorado Department of Education's website at <https://www.cde.state.co.us/assessment>.

Our students do best when they are in their regular environment with their teacher and peers, so we appreciate your support bringing students to school on time during testing days and making sure they are well rested. If you have any questions regarding Bauder's testing, please contact Emily White any time. Go Bucks!

## Volunteer Appreciation Week

Thank  
You

Every successful school community share one powerful common thread: dedicated volunteers. During School Volunteer Appreciation Week, we take time to recognize the parents, guardians, grandparents, alumni, and community members who generously give their time and talents to support students and educators.

Volunteers contribute far more than their time. They bring diverse experiences, skills, and perspectives that enhance school programs. From mentoring students and tutoring in reading or math to assisting with art projects, volunteers expand opportunities that schools might otherwise struggle to provide.

For many students, volunteers become role models—trusted adults who offer encouragement, patience, and positive reinforcement. These relationships can leave lasting impressions, building confidence and inspiring lifelong learning. School volunteer appreciation week serves a powerful reminder that it takes a village to educate children. Thank you for being a part of our village.



### KioskVue

We are currently only using the KioskVue app to sign your students out during the school day. This app links with your parentVue account. We have found it is a very easy and quick process once you have downloaded the ParentVue app on your phone. Please reach out to the office if you are having problems accessing your ParentVue account.

## Battle of the Books

Congratulations to the 18 teams consisting of **82** students who competed in the Battle of the Books competition. The competition was fierce and exciting. The winning 3<sup>rd</sup> grade team was the “Minion Readers” and the team members were Kiyaya M., Cannon K., Huxley B., Izel C. and Jackson P. with their coach Jennifer Pawleshyn & Alex Pawleshyn. The 4<sup>th</sup> grade winning team was “The Wave Readers” and the team members were Levi N., N., Ryder M. Soren S. & Everett N. and their coach was Sarah Newman. The 5<sup>th</sup> grade winning team was the “BroFIndiEmmett Bookworms” and the team members were Indie M., Brophy E., Emmett W. and Finn M. and their coaches were Molly Murphy & Shala Dean. These teams competed on March 31st at the district Battle of the Books competition at Rocky Mountain High School. We want to thank Cat Newman for her hard work organizing this. Also, a huge thank you to all the wonderful volunteers, without them, it would not have been possible.



## Battle of the Books

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## PSD Summer Music – Save the Dates!

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- Attention 5th graders taking band or orchestra in 2026-27
- All Band and Orchestra students entering 6th-8th grade, save the dates for the Beginning/Intermediate program.
- Beginning/Intermediate Program
- (for students who will be in middle school next year)
- Monday, July 20 to Friday, August 7 (Monday-Friday)
- Locations will be in various places around PSD (north, east, south, west and central)
- Class times are typically between 8am and noon

Watch for registration links and more information at <https://sites.google.com/a/psdschools.org/psd-summer-music/home>



## Are you moving??

Are you planning on moving over the summer? Please make sure to let Becky Kissler in the office know of any upcoming changes in your students' enrollment. Our office is closed Jun-mid July, so knowing in advance can help prepare for these changes with their new school.

## Visitors and Volunteers

We use the Raptor Management system to check ALL visitors and volunteers into our school building. If you are coming to volunteer or visit during school hours you must bring in your physical driver's license, passport, or state offered ID to go beyond the office. You are welcome to come and have lunch with your child(ren) after signing in at the office.



We are blessed to have an amazing group of volunteers at Bauder. If you are interested in being a volunteer, you will need to register on the district website and be approved before volunteering. You will be sent an email from the district once your background check has been completed. PTO has many opportunities to volunteer. Volunteer registrations last 3 years. It is a great idea to check your registration status prior to volunteering for field trips. Please feel free to contact our office to see if it is time to renew your registration.

## School Start and Dismissal Times



The start time for Bauder is 9:05am and the dismissal time is 3:43pm. Students will be allowed to be on the playground at 8:45am. Breakfast will be served starting at 8:45-9:00am. We know the weather is beautiful, but please do not send students to school before 8:45am as there is no supervision.

## Attendance Calls

We are required to have a reason for your student's absence. Absences without a reason will be unexcused per district policy. You can report the absence for your student either by calling our attendance line or through your ParentVue account. Please make sure when calling the attendance line to give your student's name, the day of absence and most importantly the reason for the absence. Providing this information will prevent the office from having to call and inquire why your student is absent. We appreciate your help! Our attendance line phone number is **970-488-4151** and can be accessed 24 hours a day. You will get automated phone calls, text and emails if the absence is not reported by 9:30am. Here is the link showing how to report absences through your ParentVue account.



<https://tinyurl.com/5brwmpzt>

## Counselor's Corner

# Counselor's Corner NEWSLETTER

April 2026



### Counselor note

As we move into the spring season, many of our students will be participating in classroom assessments and standardized tests. While these are a normal part of the school experience, they can sometimes bring feelings of stress or worry for children. We want to partner with you to help students feel confident, prepared, and supported.



### How Families Can Help at Home

#### Keep a Positive Perspective

- Remind your child that tests are just one way teachers understand what students are learning. Emphasize effort over results.

#### Establish Calm Routines

- Ensure your child gets a good night's sleep
- Provide a healthy breakfast
- Keep mornings relaxed and predictable

#### Encourage Practice & Preparation

- Help your child review class materials in small, manageable chunks. Avoid cramming—short, regular practice builds confidence.

#### Teach Simple Relaxation Strategies

- Practice techniques your child can use at school, such as:
  - Taking slow, deep breaths
  - Counting to 10
  - Visualizing a calm or happy place

#### Language

- Try to avoid phrases that may unintentionally increase pressure (e.g., "You must do well"). Instead, say:
  - "Just try your best"
  - "I'm proud of your effort"

### What is testing anxiety?

Testing anxiety is when a child feels nervous, worried, or overwhelmed before or during a test. This can show up in different ways, such as:

- Trouble sleeping the night before a test
- Complaints of headaches or stomachaches
- Difficulty concentrating
- Negative thoughts like "I'm going to fail"

These feelings are common and completely normal—but with the right support, children can learn to manage them.

### What we're doing at school

At school, we are:

- Creating a supportive and low-pressure testing environment
- Teaching students relaxation and coping strategies
- Encouraging a growth mindset and celebrating effort

Stay Connected!

If your child is especially anxious, reach out to your child's teacher or school counselor. We're here to help!



### Contact Info

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## Safety reminder

Please follow all traffic laws and be considerate of our neighbors when parking on Fuqua and Lake streets to drop your students off and pick them up.



## ParentVue updates

Has your phone number, address or email changed lately? Have your emergency contact numbers changed? ParentVue is a terrific way to update this information. Please contact the office if you need any help with logging in or updating your information. Thank you for keeping this information current.

## Changes in student pick up plans



If you need to make changes to your students' after-school plans, we are asking that you call the office before 3:00pm. Our office is extremely busy at the end of the day. There are many classroom activities and changes in schedules that make it difficult to convey the changes to students. You can help your students feel confident by sharing the after-school plan with them in the morning.