

Bauder Bugle

February 2026 Newsletter



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Principal's Message

Hello Bauder families,




Can you believe it's already been a month since we came back from the winter break? We've had time to settle back into routines. Our teaching staff have also had time to reflect on students' progress and make adjustments to instruction. We are really pleased with the growth our learners have been making in literacy. We hope you are seeing the evidence of this at home as well. It's so exciting as they become confident, independent readers. Providing them with a dedicated time and place to practice reading each night will help them continue their upward trajectory. And, of course, being read to is super important as well. Children who are read to at least three times a week by a family member are almost twice as likely to score in the top 25% in reading compared to children who are read to less than 3 times a week.* Not only does it help your child in school, but it's also just a wonderful way to spend quality time together and bond. These days, children have so much access to devices for entertainment sometimes it's hard to pull them away, but it's very much worth the effort. Find some time to cuddle up and read together!

I hope your family enjoyed the Bauder BUCKS Behavior at home challenge and your child was able to earn at least 25 checks. Now, we move into February which is the month of the 5210 Healthy Kids Challenge. Limiting screen time, eating healthy, and getting sufficient exercise and sleep are crucial to healthy development. Exercise, nutrition, and good sleep are all important factors for a student's emotional well-being and their ability to tackle academic challenges as well. I encourage your whole family to participate in the challenge.

** Denton, Kristen and Gerry West, Children's Reading and Mathematics Achievement in Kindergarten and First Grade (PDF file), U.S. Department of Education, NCES, Washington, DC, 2002.*

Thank you!

Stephen Boese
Principal
Bauder Elementary



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Dates to Remember:



February

Tuesday	02/03	PTO 6:30-7:30pm
Friday	02/14	Valentine's Day
Monday	02/16	No School Teacher Workday
Wednesday	02/18	SAAC 5:00-6:00pm
Tuesday	02/24	Rollerland Skating Party 5:00-8:00pm

March

Tuesday	03/03	PTO 6:30-7:30pm
Wednesday	03/04	Read Across America- Dress up day-Wear a hat
Thursday	03/05	Read Across America- Dress up day- Wear stripes Board of Education Community Engagement Session 5:30-7:00pm
Friday	03/06	Read Across America Day-Dress up day- Wear PJ's
Friday	03/13	No School – Teacher workday
Mon-Fri	03/16-03/20	No School Spring Break!

District Spelling Bee

On January 23rd students from across the district competed in the District Spelling Bee at the Poudre School district JSSC building. All students first competed at their own individual schools, and then the top students at each school had to pass the district spelling test to be in the finals.

Congratulations to our 4th grade student Piper D. for representing Bauder!

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2026-2027 Kindergarten Registration

It is time to register your student for 2026-2027 Kindergarten registration. Registrations are online at [PsdSchools.org](https://psdschools.org).



Healthy Kids 5210+ Challenge



The Healthy Kids 5210+ Challenge is a free month-long program during February where students, school staff and families learn and practice the 5210+ healthy habits every day. The challenge takes place February 1-28.

Students and families will submit their log online by Thursday, March 5th. All Students and staff participants with a minimum of 80 check marks on the submitted logs will earn a FREE 5210+ Challenge T-shirt. Shirts will be delivered to schools by mid-May.

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 or (720) 878-4107.

YES Concert for 4th & 5th Grade Students

Each January, the Fort Collins Symphony shares the joy of live music with over 4,000 4th and 5th grade students. Both entertaining and enriching, this program features a diverse array of music styles and genres in an environment that sparks curiosity and instills a lasting passion for music.



Bauder Yearbooks

Each year Bauder has an amazing yearbook with the front and back covers designed by our own Bauder students. 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 with the ID code 14474326. Deadline to place an order is April 6, 2026.

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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 January artists: Lizzie F., Drake B. & Zoey R.



KioskVue

In February we will be using the KioskVue app to check students in and out during the school day. This app uses your ParentVue account. You will need to have an active ParentVue account. You will use your ParentVue username and password when you come in to pick up your student during school hours. You will also be required to enter the reason for the early pickup. Please make sure you have your ParentVue account information with you. Please allow yourself extra time when you come in to pick up your student(s). The new app will provide more privacy for families, and we are excited to start using this app. Please contact the office if you need help with your ParentVue account.



Bauder Talent Show

Students and Families, Bauder is going to have a Talent Show this May! If you are a 3rd, 4th, or 5th grader and have a talent that you would like to perform for the school, then this is your moment! Possible options are singing, playing an instrument, dancing, gymnastics, martial arts, magic, comedy, etc. It can be a group or an individual act. Start planning your act now! If you are interested, Mr. Logan will be beginning to talk about it in Music class and will be giving out audition forms later this Spring. We can't wait to see all of the talented Bauder Bucks that we have here at 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. 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/5brwmptz>

Counselor's Corner

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BAUDER ELEMENTARY



FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER: KIND WORDS & BUILDING CONFIDENT KIDS

February is often associated with love. At school, we like to focus on helping children feel loved, valued, and confident every day. One of the most powerful ways adults can support children's emotional growth is through intentional connection and positive words.

WORDS MATTER



Children learn how to talk to themselves by listening to how adults talk to them. Encouraging, specific praise helps build confidence, resilience, and a positive self-image. Try focusing on:

- Effort over outcome:
"I noticed how hard you worked on that."
- Growth over perfection:
"You're still learning—and that's okay!"
- Character over achievement:
"That was very kind/helpful/brave of you."



BUILDING CONFIDENCE AT HOME

Simple daily habits make a big difference:

- Ask open-ended questions:
"What was the best part of your day?"
- Celebrate mistakes as learning moments
- Model self-kindness: let children hear you speak kindly about yourself
- Create a family "kind words" jar—add notes when someone shows effort or kindness



A FEBRUARY CHALLENGE FOR FAMILIES

Each day this month, try sharing one specific compliment with your child. Watch how it strengthens connection and confidence!



CONTACT INFORMATION

As always, our counseling team is here to support your child's social-emotional growth. Please reach out if you have questions or concerns!

Maribeth Ragle (1,3,5): mragle@psdschools.org
MaryAnn Spence (K,2,4): mspence@psdschools.org

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.