

Bauder Bugle

January 2026 Newsletter



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Principal's Message

Hello Bauder families,

Welcome back! I hope everyone was able to rest and recover over the break and we're all done with colds and flu for this season.

We started off this semester with our schoolwide Teach To's. Grade levels traveled around the building for reminders about what it means to show Bauder BUCKS behavior throughout the school day. We make sure that we teach students the expectations very clearly and then we celebrate them for meeting those expectations. We find everyone can use a gentle reminder after the break and starts the new semester off with the right tone. We do monitor the behavior here at Bauder and our data shows that our systems and structures for holding students accountable for appropriate behavior are working. Out of over 370 students learning, playing, and interacting every day, we have over 88% who have either never received a behavior referral or have only received one referral. That's fewer than 12% of students needing extra support and reminders to show Bauder BUCKS behavior!

We are excited about our new Bauder BUCKS Behavior at Home Calendar that you should find in your students' Thursday folder today. Each time you catch your student demonstrating Bauder BUCK behavior at home, place a check mark next to the appropriate letter on the calendar. The goal is to earn at least 25 checks over the month. If the majority of the class turns in a calendar, the class will earn a prize, such as an extra recess or a class party. In the letter that went home with the calendar, I referred to a good article. I'm adding the link here, so that you can access it easily.

* University Hospitals. (2025, July 18). Chores are good for kids: Here's why. University Hospitals The Science of Health Blog. <https://www.uhhospitals.org/blog/articles/2025/07/chores-are-good-for-kids>

We're seeing solid academic data from our middle of the year testing as well. Students are meeting growth goals in reading, writing, and math. All their hard work is paying off!



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Principal's Message

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We're looking forward to another good semester full of fun and learning. We hope to see you at our next schoolwide event or feel free to stop by and have lunch with your child. We always love having parents in the building.

Sincerely,

Stephen Boese
Principal
Bauder Elementary

Dates to Remember:



January:

Tuesday	01/06/26	First day back to school PTO 6:30-7:30pm
Wednesday	01/14	Dress up day-Crazy Socks
Monday	01/19	No School – Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Friday	01/23	Donuts with Dear Ones 8:25-8:45am

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

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Adventures
in Sound and Imagination
Sunday, January 19, 2026 @ 3pm
Lincoln Center Adults: \$17 / Students: \$9
A family-friendly concert featuring **Peter and the Wolf** with Canyon Concert Ballet.
Sponsored by Friends of the Symphony

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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).



Spelling Bee

We had eight Bauder students compete in the Bauder Spelling Bee on December 3rd. It was exciting to see how hard the students had worked to be prepared for the Bee. The following students competed Ayla B., Lily S., Soren S., Owen W., Everett N., Porter R., Piper D., and Henry O. Congratulations to Piper D. for spelling the winning word “garishly”. Piper will have to take a written assessment on January 9th. If she qualifies through that, the district spelling bee will be on January 23rd.



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CSU Archaeology and Geology Visits 2nd Grade

Our 2nd graders have been bringing literacy to life through an exciting paleontology-themed unit! Students have been practicing reading, writing, and vocabulary skills while exploring fossils, ancient creatures, and the science of uncovering the past. We were lucky to be visited by members of CSU's Archaeology and Geology graduate departments, who led hands-on stations where students dug for arrowheads, examined skulls, and investigated real artifacts. It was an unforgettable day of curiosity, discovery, and learning!



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2nd and 3rd Grade Music Performance

On December 11th, the 2nd and 3rd grade students held a music performance. The students performed the Bauder school song, multipart canons, and an inspiring piece of music called “Why We Sing”. They concluded the performance with “We Happy” by the American Authors.

Students have been working hard to prepare for this performance, and it showed! Shout out to the students, Mr. Logan & Mr. Stucky for all their hard work.



Poudre Fire Authority Art Contest Winner

Congratulations to Orly J. in Mrs. Mitchell’s 2nd grade classroom. Her art was chosen in the Poudre Fire Authority poster contest. Orly and her brother Coston were given a ride to school in the fire truck with lights and sirens blaring. What a great way to start her school day!



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 December artists Ali A., Nolan K. and Beila H.



Art Supply Request: cardboard tubes of any size.

Caroling and Cocoa

Students and their families joined together to spread joy at the annual Caroling and Cocoa event. This fun event was sponsored by our wonderful PTO. The wind subsided for a bit allowing students and families to carol in our neighborhoods. After caroling they enjoyed cocoa and cookies. PTO provided delicious hot cocoa and families brought yummy cookies to share. It was a great way to share holiday cheer with our families.



Yearbook Cover Contest

We are inviting all Bauder students to enter their original artwork into our Yearbook Cover contest. Design a cover that shows off your school pride. Winner will receive a free yearbook! Please see the attached guidelines for your art submission. All entries must be received by January 30th. Please contact Mrs. Kissler if you have any questions.



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Rules for Submission:

1. Art must be on an 8.5 x 11 white paper.
2. The orientation of the paper must be vertical.
3. Student's full name, grade level, and homeroom teacher should be written on the back in light pencil.
4. Submission should be turned in to Mrs. Kissler no later than January 30th.

Tips:

Use up as much white space as possible.

No lead pencil as it may smear. Use colored pencils, markers or pens.

Please do not fold your paper.

For questions, contact Mrs. Kissler (rkissler@psdschools.org)

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

Counselor Corner

with Mrs. Ragle & Mrs. Spence



Social Emotional Learning

During the months of Nov & Dec we focused on an important topic: EMOTION MANAGEMENT.

In Jan & Feb students will learn about EMPATHY & KINDNESS.

Mental Health Matters

Bauder will celebrate Mental Health Matters week from Tuesday, January 13 - Friday January 16. During ENCORE (art, library, music, PE and technology) students will learn or practice different ways for students to be KIND to themselves. On Wednesday 1/14, students are encouraged to wear fun socks- a small thing to make students smile :)

What we are learning

- Kinder & 1st
 - Examples of kind acts
 - Why are kind acts important
 - Showing Kindness
 - Practicing kind acts
- 2nd
 - What's empathy?
 - Empathy in action
 - Kindness for others
 - Empathy at school
- 3rd
 - Kindness can lead to friendship
 - Making friendships stronger
 - Ways people prefer kindness
 - Ask questions, give kindness
- 4th
 - Different points of view
 - Ask to better understand
 - Ask to better understand 2
 - Changing perspectives
- 5th
 - Use empathy to solve problem
 - Problems and people impacted
 - Points of view to build empathy
 - Solutions to a problem

Kindness & Empathy at Home

This month, we're teaching students how small actions make a big difference. We're practicing noticing others' feelings, using caring words, and offering help when someone needs it.

Families can reinforce this at home by modeling kindness, talking about emotions, and celebrating moments when children show kindness and empathy.

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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.

