

**THE DRAGON BULLETIN**  
FLAGSTAFF ACADEMY'S OFFICIAL  
WEEKLY Communication Tool

FOR THE WEEK OF: March 9, 2009, through March 13, 2009  
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**PRINCIPALS' CORNER:**

Encore Award Program-2009 "Teachers of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century" Awards

The Education Foundation for St. Vrain Valley is accepting nominations for the 2009 "Teachers of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century" Awards.

Program individual grade excellence opportunity



The Encore Awards recognizes and honors teachers at the prek-12 levels who exemplify in teaching. This is an to pay tribute to the achievements of teachers who have an extraordinarily positive impact on students. Nomination forms are available at the Education Foundation's website [www.efsvv.org](http://www.efsvv.org) and at our school office. Click on the word nomination on the home page and you will be taken to the nomination form. Nominations may be submitted either through the mail or electronically and must be postmarked or electronically date stamped no later than March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2009. Nominations received after that date are not eligible. Both the nominee and the nominator must sign the nomination form. In the case of an electronic submission, the nominator needs to indicate that the nomination has been reviewed with the nominee as shown on the form. Both full and part time teachers who are licensed educators in Colorado are eligible. One teacher from Flagstaff will receive recognition, \$100 for the teacher's classroom, and a certificate of recognition. Please take the time and think about nominating one of our teachers who has gone the extra mile and made a difference in the life of your child. Last year, Mr. Reddicks was the recipient of this prestigious honor.

**VOLUNTEER NOTICE:**

During CSAP testing days please do not plan on volunteering in the 3<sup>rd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade classes. Sorry, Friday Folder Moms, you are not off the hook. We still need you Friday mornings.

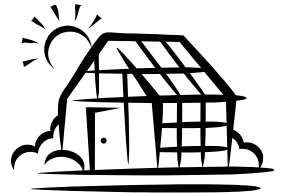
**RETAIL SCRIP:**

There will be no retail scrip order in March. Let's support the Gala. The next, and final, order of the school year will be due Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Allison Remund with questions ([a.remund@gmail.com](mailto:a.remund@gmail.com)).

**BOARD NOTES:** It's almost springtime and great ideas are blooming at Flagstaff!

Plans are moving ahead for Flagstaff's own greenhouse. A committee of parents, staff, and Harrie Netel from the Board researched the costs and benefits of having a greenhouse at our new location

and has found it to be feasible and an amazing addition to our science and technology focus. The core curriculum feeds nicely into greenhouse activities including



scientific subjects such as plants and plant growth, seasons and weather, properties of matter and measurements, ecology, and geology such as weathering and erosion. Technological concepts such as solar power, heating and cooling principles, architectural design and purposes can also be explored. The Greenhouse committee is committed to raising all the funds necessary for the purchase and upkeep of the greenhouse separately from the school's budget. Please contact Leha Moskoff if you would like to volunteer, or know of an organization which might make a donation toward our greenhouse project.

**Board Workshop Sessions:**

The Second Board Workshop Session will be held on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009, from 5-6 PM in the Elementary Science Lab!! The regular board meeting will follow immediately at 6:00 p.m.

In case you cannot attend a board meeting but would like to address the board anyway, you can always send an e-mail to [FlagBoard@flagstaffacademy.org](mailto:FlagBoard@flagstaffacademy.org).

**SCIENCE FAIR RECOGNITION:**

Wyatt Eason and Steven Heinen were recognized by the US Navy and US Marines for outstanding performance in science at the regional science fair. Mr. Wax said "They rocked!" We are proud that they represented Flagstaff Academy. Congratulations to the two young men!



## CALENDAR UPDATES FOR NEXT TWO WEEKS

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
7:25-8:10 am Spanish Class 7:25-8:10 am Adv. Orchestra 2:30-3:15 pm Parent Partner Orientation 3:30-4:20 pm Music Club 3:30-4:45 pm Chess Club 3:30-4:15 pm Dance Club 3:35-4:30 pm Spanish Class 3:30-5:00 pm Brownie Troop 618	7:25-8:10 am Adv. Band 9:00-11:00 am CSAP grades 3-8 1:00 pm Enrollment Info Clinic 1:15-3:15 CSAP grades 4-8 3:30-5:00 pm Brownie Troop 494 3:30-4:20 pm Beg. Band <b>6:00 pm BOARD MEETING</b>	7:25-8:10 am Spanish Class 9:00-11:00 am CSAP grades 3, 4, 6-8 1:15-3:15 CSAP grades 4-9 3:30-4:20 pm Choir 3:35-4:30 pm Spanish Class 4:30-6:00 pm Dragon Pops 3:30-5:00 pm Mad Science	7:25-8:10 am Adv. Band 9:00-11:00 am CSAP grades 3-8 3:30-5:00 pm Junior Troop 609 3:30-4:20 pm Orchestra 1:15-3:15 CSAP grades 4-8	7:25-8:10 am Computer Game and Web Design 9:00-11:00 am CSAP grade 3 And make-up tests if needed 1:00 pm Enrollment Info. Clinic
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### HEALTH ROOM:

**Strep throat is still a threat.** Please watch carefully for sore throat, upset stomach, and fever in your children. In some cases we are seeing bursts of strep throat in various grade levels. Keep your children home for 24 hours after a fever, vomiting, or starting antibiotics.

### Adopt-A-Dewey

Reminder to parents of students in Mr. Zook's and Ms. Battistoni's rooms and Kindergarten classes: Adopt-A-Dewey is underway and we are taking contributions (\$20-\$25 per student) to help the librarian purchase Core Knowledge resources for "adopted" Dewey classifications in the library.

Mr. Zook--Greek Mythology 292  
Ms. Battistoni--Civil War 973.7  
Kindergarten--Fairy Tales 398 and Poetry 811

The first class to reach their \$500 goal will receive a pizza party compliments of the librarian. Contributions will be collected March 1-March 27.

To learn more about Adopt-A-Dewey please visit <http://sites.google.com/site/flagstafflmc/Home/collection-development-news-1/adopt-a-dewey>



### Parent Partner Program at Flagstaff Academy

Want to be a part of new and exciting volunteer program at Flagstaff? Take a look in your child's Friday Folder for information on the Parent Partner Program. We are kicking off this pilot program March 1 to help welcome new families who will be joining the Flagstaff community in the Fall. Make a Difference! If you are looking to make a positive impact on a new family and are willing to be a "go to" resource to help make their transition easy, complete the form and return it to the front desk. Any questions? Contact Edye Bury at [edyebury@q.com](mailto:edyebury@q.com) or Kate LeBlanc at [km.leblanc@comcast.net](mailto:km.leblanc@comcast.net)

### PARENT PARTNER MEETINGS:

We are holding two informational meetings for current families who are interested in being partners to our new families. The first meeting is Monday, March 16, at 2:30 p.m. The second meeting is Monday, March 23, at 5:30 p.m. Both meetings will be at the school. Parents who are interested in being partners must plan to attend one of the meetings.



If you have not filled out your "Existing Parent Partner" form and are still interested in participating, please plan on attending one of these meetings and bring your form with you.

This will help our new families become part of our Flagstaff community and feel welcome.

## Destination ImagiNation – On with the Challenge!

Six teams (41 students) proudly represented Flagstaff in the North Metro Destination ImagiNation Regional Tournament on Saturday, March 7, at Hinkley High School in Aurora. The competition showcased their many skills including creative and analytical thinking, working as a team, and thinking on their feet. We are very proud of our students for the hard work they put into preparing for this competition. **Rockit Kidz** placed 3rd in the Instinct Messaging! challenge in the Elementary division. The **Green Dragons** took 3rd in the ViDlo Lit Hits! challenge at the Middle School level. Please congratulate the kids when you see them!

**Icicle Dragons:** Anna Clayborne, Braden Fidelak, Brynnley Granger, Ethan Hughes, Avery LeBlanc, Shinae Paris, Cole Ritters

**The Little Dragons:** Alli Conser, Dain Cummings, Olivia Cummings, Annika Giltinan, Braden Giltinan, Eli Netel, Grant Peterson, Olivia Towlen

**The Dragonation :** Nevin Alan, Samir Banerjee, Brinley Ginn, Cody Kroll, Matthew Teta, Bjorn Tingstad, Andrew Wu

**Team Indestructible:** Mackenzie Fidelak, Mallory Granger, Isaac Hughes, Dakota James, Adam Kiehl, Evan LeBlanc, Trevor Ritters

**Rockit Kidz:** Dylan Beal, Justin Booth, Stephen McWilliams, Leticia Pinter, Peter Thompson

**Green Dragons:** Arlin Bloch, Elias Bloch, Jack Conser, Jesse Conser, Gabrielle Paris, Alexa Ginn, Kevin Schoonover

A new set of Destination ImagiNation challenges will be presented in the Fall of 2009. We hope that you join a Flagstaff team and pursue the challenge!

**WALK-UP PARKING:** Our staff has noticed a few dangerous things happening in the walk-up area. Parking next to the fence of the play ground area causes potentially dangerous exiting. If you are a walk-up family, it is necessary to park in the available spaces next to the park behind the school and walk over to the playground to retrieve your child(ren). Please help us keep all Flagstaff children safe!

**Dress Code** We are cracking down. Administration has been around to class rooms to help enforce the dress code. Please help us by ensuring that your children are following the dress code before they come to school. If your child has come home wearing an article of clothing that belongs to the school, please wash it and send it back to school. We will return your child's clothes when the loaned items are returned.

**ELECTRONIC ITEMS AT SCHOOL:** Students are not allowed to have IPODS, electronic games, or cell phones while at school. There is **only one** exception to this rule. The middle school teachers allow the students to listen to IPODS during sustained silent reading right after lunch. There is no other time; lunch, hall way travel, before or after school that students should have these devices out. If a staff member notices a student with any one of these items, it will be confiscated, and the student will have to pick it up from the office after school. A second offense will require a parent to pick up the item at the front office for the child.



## Dragon Community

Save the Date: Friday, April 24th, 5:30pm-8:30pm in the Multi-purpose room! **FESTIVAL OF STATES!!** Prepare to explore our country and learn all about other regions and characteristics!! This fun and educational event will help us to understand traditions, history, and unique features of the United States. Many Flagstaff families will be hosting booths relating information about where they have lived, worked, or visited. Don't miss the opportunity to learn more about other Flagstaff families and the world!! **BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY** to this **FREE** event!



\*\*\*WE NEED YOUR HELP \*\*\*

Get in those volunteer hours by hosting a booth! Let us know by March 20th what state you would like to share! Get your whole family involved—your kids can help! Share your heritage or your passion about any state in our country! Contact Kristie Rollman at rollmans4@comcast.net for more information!