



The Village at Highland

December 2019 Family Newsletter

Important Phone Numbers To Keep:

Attendance
Line
303-347-4410

Preschool Office
303-347-4409

Health Assistant
(Megan Anderson)
303-734-3025

We hope that
all our
families
enjoy a fun
and safe
Winter Break!



Upcoming Dates

- Dec 19, Thursday – Last Day for Half Day Classes Before Winter Break
- Dec 20, Friday – Last Day for Full Day Classes & Staff Before Winter Break
- Dec 23, Monday – Jan 6, Monday – Winter Break; NO SCHOOL
- Jan 6, Monday – Teacher In-Service; NO SCHOOL
- Jan 7, Tuesday – **Classes Resume**
- Jan 9, Thurs – New Parent Info Night for 2020/21 School Year @ 6:30 pm
- Jan 13–17, Mon-Fri – 2020/21 Returning Family Preschool Registration
- Jan 20, Monday – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day; NO SCHOOL
- Jan 21 & 22, Tuesday/Wednesday – 2020/21 New Family Registration

2020/2021 Preschool Information Night – January 9th

There will be a “Parent Information Night” for new, incoming Preschool parents on Thursday, January 9th, at 6:30 p.m., in the Highland Library. Please be sure to tell your friends and neighbors.

This is a very informative meeting where parents can receive information about our preschool, ask questions, and hear about the program and what a day looks like as a preschooler. (Childcare is not provided.)

Preschool Registration for RETURNING Families for 2020/21

The 2020/2021 school year preschool registration forms will be available beginning the week of January 13st, and all returning families must register.

Our returning families will be able to submit their registration request forms between **Monday, 1/13 – Friday, 1/17**. Registration for new families will begin January 21st, so returning families will want to secure their child’s spot before January 21st.

Did you know that The Village Preschool has a second location? To better serve the Littleton Public Schools community, The Village Preschool has caring and dedicated staff ready to meet the needs of young learners at both our Highland facility and the North facility. Both locations offer morning, afternoon, and full day classes.

Please let your family and friends know that registration for the 2020-21 school year begins January 13th for returning families and January 21st for new families.

The Village at Highland is so grateful for . . .

The Village at Highland Annual Winter Wear Drive Thank You!

A huge Thank You to our families
and friends who supported our
Annual Winter Wear Drive!
Your generosity is greatly appreciated!!



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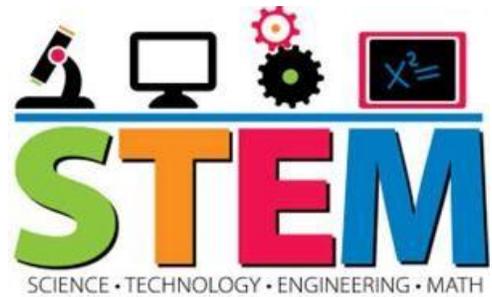


A big “THANK YOU!” to our families
and the Highland Family
Partnership group for arranging and
providing an amazing lunch for the
teachers during conferences! The
entire staff was touched by the
incredible turn out of support, and
the food was delicious!

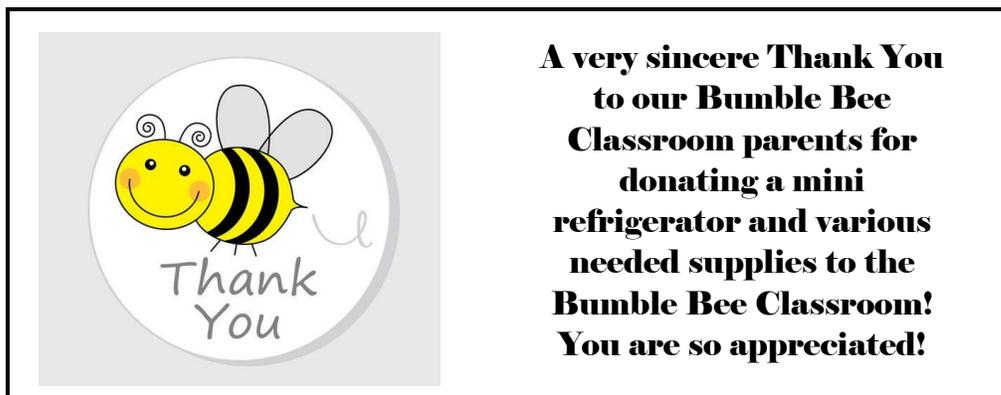
Many, Many thanks to the Filson Family!!

The Filson’s entered the Village at Highland Preschool in
a sweepstakes sponsored by Ziploc Brand Warehouse
Club, and WE WON!

As a result, the preschool received a S.T.E.M. station
featuring 25 products from KiwiCo designed to engage
and inspire creative thinking. The projects we received
fuel the creative confidence of future tinkerers, makers,
and innovators!



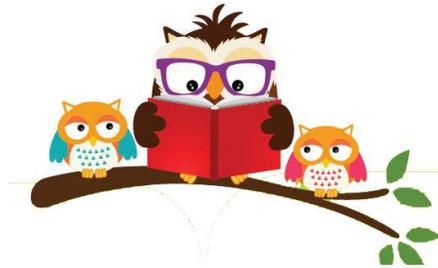
We sincerely thank you, Filson Family!



**A very sincere Thank You
to our Bumble Bee
Classroom parents for
donating a mini
refrigerator and various
needed supplies to the
Bumble Bee Classroom!
You are so appreciated!**

Curriculum News...

- Help your child develop small-muscle strength and coordination by offering materials such as play dough, clothespins, beads and string, and LEGO pieces.
- Tell your child what you are doing when you write, e.g., “I’m making a shopping list so I can remember what to get at the store.”
- Have a box or another place in which your child can keep writing and drawing supplies.
- When your child tells you stories, write them down and read them back.
- Together, make your child’s name and words with magnetic or other toy letters.
- Bring writing supplies when you travel, such as paper and pencils, a magnetic drawing board, or a magic slate.
- Outdoors, write letters in dirt or sand by using sticks or fingers, use chalk on the sidewalk, or shaving cream in the bathtub!



The Importance of Reading for Preschool-aged Children

Reading is an important skill to develop in your child, and as a parent or caregiver, reading books with your child is one of the most important things you can do to support their future academic success. Other benefits of reading to your child include:

- Academic excellence: exposing your child to reading early increases their knowledge and higher aptitude for learning.
- Language skills: when your child listens to you read, they are learning language and enunciation skills.
- Learning how to read: you are teaching your child that text is read from left to right, words are separated by spaces, and images are separate from words on a page. Your child is learning pre-reading skills that will benefit them in the future.
- Communication skills: your child gains valuable communication skills that allow them to express themselves.
- Logical thinking skills: reading increases your child’s ability to recognize cause and effect, understand abstract concepts, and apply logic. Your preschooler will begin to compare scenarios in books to real-life.

The [Colorado Early Learning and Development Guidelines](#) has tips anyone can use to engage preschoolers in reading and build their language and literacy skills.

Visit www.earlylearningco.org for more tips.

Kindergarten! ... here I come!



LPS Kindergarten Information Nights ...

Be sure to check the district's website for details on the upcoming Kindergarten Information Nights and/or Tours. (Most are happening in January, prior to January 13th.) Kindergarten Information Nights and/or Tours offer a great orientation to your new school and the registration process for Kindergarteners. If you do not know which LPS school is your home school, please stop by the office and we can look it up for you.

FYI...Highland Elementary will be hosting their Kindergarten Information Night on January 16, 2020 from 5:30pm - 7:00pm, and Kindergarten Registration for Highland Elementary is on January 21st and 22nd from 7:00am – 4:00pm.

*Last chance to order
Scholastic books before
Winter Break!
Order forms are being
sent home and orders will
be due on Monday,
Dec.9th!*



*If you have questions or
would like the orders to
be a "surprise", please
contact Mrs.Loncharich
at
sloncharich@lps.k12.co.*

**The Village at Highland is in need of
boys and girls clothing – sizes 3T-
6T.**

**New or gently used pants, socks, and
underwear for both boys and girls
would be greatly appreciated!**



Remember, the Snow and Cold is Here, but We Still Go Outside!

On snowy days, please have your child wear or bring boots to school; if the temperature is above 20 degrees we will plan to go outside.

- Please also **send an extra pair of shoes** for your child to change into once they arrive at school. Thank you for helping us keep the kids comfortable. It is no fun to sit in boots on wet carpet during circle time.
- As you can imagine, with 16 children in each classroom, we have a lot of coats, boots, gloves, etc. Please help your child's teachers by **labeling your child's clothing items**. Thank you!