

# The Peabody Press



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## *A Note from the Principal*

November is one of my favorite months. It brings into focus the importance of being thankful. We gather together with family and friends at the end of the month, enjoy a delicious meal, and hopefully reflect on all for which we are thankful. Feeling grateful actually has health benefits. There is research that shows that focusing and thinking about things for which we are grateful can improve our health, make us feel more positive, improve relationships and better deal with challenging things in our lives. If you'd like to read more, please read [this article](#) from Harvard Medical School.

Gratitude is defined as, "...the quality of being thankful, readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness." As I reflect on October at Peabody, there is much to be grateful for.

- Our COG Grand Opening was a huge success! We had many students showcasing some of the STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, mathematics) activities, there were stations with activities for our guests to explore. We had a nice turnout including many parents and students, many of our district leaders, including our Superintendent, Mr. Brian Ewert.
- Parent/Teacher Conferences provided a wonderful opportunity for teachers to share and celebrate student growth and achievement with parents and talk about goals for the rest of the year. It was so nice to see so many parents at school and thank you to those parents who allowed me to join in during your student's conferences.
  - A special thank you to our PTO for coordinating an amazing luncheon for teachers and staff during conference week. The BBQ spread was delicious!
- We were finally able to hold our Run for Funds Prize Day. The weather sure made that a challenge. Thank you to everyone who supported their student's fundraising efforts. Your support will make a

huge impact for our students to help provide everything they need for a comprehensive education at Peabody.

- Our annual Halloween Parade closed out October. I was amazed at so many creative costumes and enjoyed popping into parties to share in some of the activities facilitated by some of our amazing parent volunteers. The kids had a blast! I saw Halloween Bingo, the making of mummies with toilet paper, weaving and so much more. Thank you for making it a fun and memorable Halloween for all of us.

Each of these events take an enormous amount of planning, facilitating and volunteers and none of these would be successful without the support of our Peabody community and volunteers. Thank you!

I am looking forward to more wonderful things happening at Peabody in November. We have our Veterans Day celebration, first grade musical performance, and our Thanksgiving lunch, to name a few. I hope to see many of you at these fun events.

As always, thank you for your support. I appreciate each and everyone of you! Please do not hesitate to reach out with questions or concerns.

Warmly,

Mrs. Pappalardo

## *Report Card Change*

This year, the Skills & Behavior section of the Elementary Report card has been updated to integrate the five Social and Emotional Learning Competencies. This framework was developed by the Collaborative for Academic and Social Emotional Learning (CASEL) and shown by research to have a major impact on both academic and behavioral success. Please see the attached [flyer](#), in both English and Spanish, with details about the change. Report cards will be available to parents on Friday, November 22nd at 3:00 pm. If you have any questions about this change, please reach out to your student's teacher.

## *Open Enrollment*

LPS has established a new process for open enrollment beginning October 1st. For more information, please visit the [LPS Website](#).

[New LPS Open Enrollment Process Begins October 1st](#)  
[New LPS Open Enrollment Process Begins October 1st - Spanish](#)

I will be holding a Peabody Open Enrollment Information Night on Thursday, November 7th at 5:00 pm in the library. Please encourage your friends, neighbors, co-workers, etc. to come and find out about Peabody and all we have to offer their children.

## *Cold Weather Reminders*

The weather is beginning to change and with that please remember some of these policies and procedures:

### **Bad Weather - Recess when it is Cold and/or Snowy Weather**

Children must come to school prepared to play outside. We will have recess if the temperature with wind chill is 20 degrees or higher. If they wish to play in the snow students should wear boots and appropriate clothing. If there is considerable precipitation, recess will be held inside. If your child has a doctor's note to refrain from PE or recess, we will honor that and allow them to remain inside the building.

### **Closure / Delayed Start**

First and foremost, THANK YOU! Thank you for your patience as we worked through all of the crazy weather that caused one late start, one early release, and one closure all in the same week. Your partnership and cooperation truly made all the difference.

As a reminder, if schools are closed or delayed due to inclement weather and/or questionable road conditions, parents should visit LPS's website ([www.littletonpublicschools.net](http://www.littletonpublicschools.net)) for information about school closures or delays or tune into local radio & television stations the morning of the day in question. Media outlets are informed if schools are closed or delayed. No announcements on the LPS website or by the media means all schools are open as usual.

[Click here for detailed information from the district regarding closures and/or delayed starts.](#)

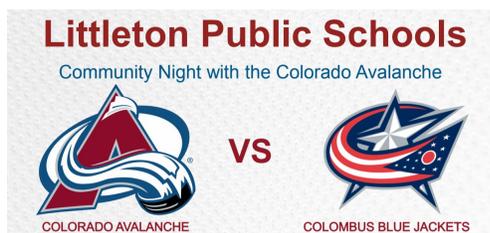
## *School and LPS Events & Information*

### **Upcoming Peabody Events:**

- ★ Veteran's Day Celebration November 11th
- ★ Please visit the Peabody [PTO webpage](#) for all the details of upcoming events and volunteer opportunities!

### **Upcoming District Events/Information:**

Colorado Avalanche Community Night  
November 9, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the Pepsi Center



# Healing Arts

A PROGRAM OF CENTURA HEALTH  
HEALING THE BODY BY TENDING THE SPIRIT

## Littleton Public Schools Student Art Exhibit November - December 2019

Please join us in welcoming the students  
at the opening reception.

Wednesday, November 13th from 5 - 6:30pm

Located in the Healing Arts Gallery located left of the main entrance lobby.



Emma Garrison

*The Healing Arts Gallery at Littleton Adventist Hospital not only provides a venue for the artists of today and tomorrow, but also allows these students to learn the profound effects that art can have on health and well being.*

Littleton Hospital Foundation  
Centura Health.  
Supporting Littleton Adventist Hospital

To learn more about the Healing Arts, contact Marble Jones,  
marblejones@Centura.org. or 303-734-8764

### The Village for Early Childhood Education:

Visit: [Littletonpublicschools.net/schools/village](http://Littletonpublicschools.net/schools/village)

#### **The Village at North**

1907 West Powers Avenue  
Littleton, CO 80120  
303-347-6985  
Located approximately  
Littleton Boulevard  
and Windermere



#### **The Village at Highland**

711 East Euclid Avenue  
Centennial, CO 80121  
303-347-4419  
Located approximately  
Arapahoe Road  
and South Pearl Street

Registration for the 2020-2021 School Year begins January 21, 2020

### *Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)*

We have the **BEST** Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)! For important information about upcoming community events, fundraising, volunteer opportunities, and more, please visit the [PTO webpage](#).

**#EVERY CLASS, EVERY CHILD, EVERY DAY**