

Colorado's Promising Partnership Practices

Cimarron Elementary School

Description/Summary

Cimarron Elementary uses a three-pronged approach to build strong parent and family engagement. 1) Family Liaison Outreach 2) Informative Events 3) Parent Groups

Family Liaison Outreach

The role of the of the Family Liaison is to connect families to community resources. Below lists some of the resources and tasks the Family Liaison fulfills:

- Manages Cimarron Food Pantry
- Coordinates Eye Exams and Eye Glass Prescriptions
- Coordinates Dental services for Students
- Welcomes New Families
- Facilitates the access to Free/Reduced Lunch, LEAP Energy Assistance, Child Care Tuition Assistance
- Assists School Nurse with Immunization Compliance and On-line Registration
- Seeks Community Donations and Sponsorships
- Translates Documents to Spanish and Provides Interpretation Services



Cimarron Elementary Website

<http://cimarron.cherrycreekschools.org/Pages/default.aspx>

Informative Events

Math Night: Families engage in a variety of hands on math activities and learn ways to support their child's math development. Every child leaves this event with free math materials, manipulatives, and math games.

Literacy Night: The library is filled with free books. Students and their families fill a bag with books to keep at home. Other activities include training families how to access free web-based reading programs at home.

Parent Groups

Family Literacy: Free English classes to household members. We offer free child care so parents, grandparents (anyone who lives in the child's home) can learn English. In return, family members volunteer their time in the school. It is a win-win for all!

PASS (Partnerships for Academically Successful Students): This parent group is made up of Black families and the purpose is to discuss the issues and challenges facing students of color and how teachers and families can work together to remove those obstacles.

Padres Unidos: This parent group is made up of Latino Families and serves to empower and inform families regarding the educational requirements and how to best support the success of Latino students.