



THE BLAZER

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One School One Staff One Goal

"To make all students the best they can be"

BACK-TO-SCHOOL APPRECIATION

★ A Great Big **Thank-You**, to the Back to School Team! Great job!! This project started about two weeks before school began with lots of parent and student helpers. Thank-you, to: Kathy Candelaria, Cheryl Crone, Kristy Rhodes, C. L'Heureux, L. L'Heureux, Kelley Otis, H. Stephan, Sabrina Walters, Mary Jennison, K. Leinweber, J. Kish, A. Bayster, A. VonGonten, C. Crone, Becky Hilgers, H. Sokol, R. Candelaria, T. Candelaria, M. Cleary, Margaret Ann Giles, Debbie Losole, Brenda Kirton, Deb Marklow, Heidi Grow, B. Bailie, Amy Bailie, Darla Helms, Lisa Roady, Kris Crow, Tracey Gray, Laura Sokol, R. Faase, B. Meyer; and, a special **thank-you** to Susan Oxford for delivering ALL of the school supply boxes to the classrooms! HUGE JOB and HUGE THANK YOU!! We appreciate it!

★ A special **thank-you**, to Wildflower Bread Company for the delicious lunch for our teachers last Thursday.

★ Finally, a **really BIG thank you** to The Brinton Family for surprising us with Krispy Kreme doughnuts at the Back-to-School event! We all loved them! Thank you so very much!!



The Back-to-School Team is wondering if you liked the event being held in the morning (in previous years it was held in the afternoon). If you have comments or suggestions about the back to school event, please send an e-mail to: c.crone@dcranch.com. Thanks! Thanks to all who attended and to all who signed up to volunteer this year. The volunteer sign ups will be posted again at the *Coffee with the Principal* on August 29th.

	<p>MONDAY <u>AUGUST 18</u></p>	<p>TUESDAY <u>AUGUST 19</u></p> <p>CIRRICULUM NIGHT 6:30PM K & 1ST GRADE</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY <u>AUGUST 20</u></p> <p>CIRRICULUM NIGHT 6:30PM 2ND & 3RD GRADE</p>	<p>THURSDAY <u>AUGUST 21</u></p> <p>CIRRICULUM NIGHT 6:30PM 4TH & 5TH GRADE</p>	<p>FRIDAY <u>AUGUST 22</u></p>

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Copy for *The Blazer* is due by Wednesday at Noon each week.. E-mail to: newsletter@copperridgepto.org
Check out the PTO website at www.copperridgepto.org

PTO NEWS

Welcome Back to Copper Ridge! Congratulations! You have made it through the first week of school. Now, relax and enjoy the weekend. While you are enjoying that cup of coffee or lounging by the pool, try reading through that lovely packet you received with the attached key ring from the PTO. It is loaded with all sorts of information about volunteer and sponsorship opportunities.



Wow! It's hot out there. Do you want a nice, cool place for your child to spend lunch recess? So do we, but we can't have one if we don't get enough volunteers. So far, we only have enough volunteers to cover next week. We need 2-3 volunteers everyday from 11-1:30. If you can help please contact PTO President, Kathy Candelaria, crpto_pres1@copperridgepto.org. Thank you.



Save the Date! Have questions for the Principal or the PTO? Please join us on Friday, August 29th at 9:00AM and we will try and answer as many of your questions as possible. All are welcome.



All copy for *The Blazer* must received by Noon each Wednesday. There will be **ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS!!!** Any material received after Noon on Wednesday will be placed next issue. Please send all Copper Ridge School related material and/or questions to *The Blazer*, newsletter@copperridgepto.org.

How would you like to receive this *The Blazer* this year?



Consider helping Copper Ridge School keep green and sign-up to receive *The Blazer* by e-mail!!



To remain "in The Loop," please complete and return the following information to the attention of the PTO/*The Blazer* Committee:

Please deliver *The Blazer* via e-mail to the following: _____

Please deliver a paper copy of *The Blazer* to my student,

_____, in the _____ grade in _____'s class.

UPCOMING TESTING

All third grade students will be taking the Cognitive Ability Test on August 19th, 20th and 21st. The Cognitive Ability Test provides a means of measuring students' reasoning abilities in the areas of verbal, quantitative, and non-verbal (spatial). Testing will be conducted in the classrooms by your child's third grade teacher. The assessment, which is administered in a group, will take three, forty five minute sessions done over three days.

A score at or above the 97th percentile in any of the three areas qualifies your child for gifted services. Test scores will be mailed approximately thirty days after testing, please contact your school's gifted specialist if you haven't received your test scores by fall break. If you do not want to have your child take this test, please contact your child's classroom teacher or Pat Goessling at 480-484-1400 ext.2200.



If your child is in grade 1, 2, 4, and 5, and would like to have him or her tested for gifted services, between September 2nd and 9th, please complete and return the "Testing Referral for Gifted Education" form to the office by **August 22nd**. This form is available in the school office; or, it can be downloaded from: <http://www.susd.org/district/gifted/Testing.cfm> .

The test for gifted placement (Cognitive Abilities Test) can only be taken once during a 12- month period. If you child has taken the test within the past 12 months, he or she is not eligible to take it at this time. The test will be offered again in January; however, third grade students will not be eligible for testing due to the upcoming August testing to be conducted in student home-rooms.

Please contact Pat Goessling (Grades 1-5), Gifted Specialist, pgoessling@susd.org or 480-484-1400 ext.2200; or, Sandy Flayton (Grades 6-8) 480-484-1500 ext. 2202, with any questions.



The Uniform Committee is excited to announce that students K-8 can enjoy Spirit Day every Friday starting in September! Spirit Day allows your student to wear any **uniform bottom** with a Copper Ridge apparel item from previous years or the new shirt offered on the attached order form. **Please make your check payable to Collette's Uniforms**, attach it to the completed order form and return it to your student's classroom or homeroom by August 26th. The shirts will be delivered to your student before the first Friday in September. After that point, you may purchase a shirt at Collette's Uniforms located on the SW corner of Bell and 56th Street.

Not interested in Copper Ridge apparel? Students are also allowed to wear a solid color, short-sleeved collarless t-shirt in any of the colors currently allowed in the Uniform Policy (white, yellow, blue and black). **REMEMBER: Blue jeans are not allowed on Spirit Days.** Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

Order Form

Copper Ridge School *Spirit* Shirt



Order now or visit Collette's Uniform Co.
5555 E. Bell Rd. Scottsdale 602-971-4433

\$12.00
All Sizes

Orders need to be returned to Home Room
Teacher **NO LATER** than August 26th.



BLACK TEE

Put Quantity next to size



WHITE TEE

Youth S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____
Adult S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____
Adult XXL _____ XXXL _____

Youth S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____
Adult S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____
Adult XXL _____ XXXL _____

Students Name _____

Teacher's Name _____ **Grade** _____

Phone Number _____

Payment Method

Cash _____ (place in envelope and staple to this form).

Check _____ Ck # _____ Make checks payable to *Collette's Uniform Co.*

Credit Card# _____ EXP _____ Your Zip Code _____

Name on Credit Card _____