



FISHER MONTHLY UPDATE



JANUARY 2023

Happy New Year Fisher Family!

I hope all of you enjoyed the holidays and New Year in whatever way suits you! It is always fun to hear the different ways our community celebrates and spends their time off. Overall, I hope it was meaningful, enjoyable and restful!

We coordinated some super successful holiday drives for our community, including Thriving Families and Food Bank of the Rockies. The teachers and many of the great staff across DU who support Fisher enjoyed the beautiful Cookie Drive coordinated by: **Lindsay Cooper, Amy Saltzman, Tracy Irvine and Rachel Stein** - thank you to them and to everyone for their generosity over the month!

As a reminder, we have stopped biweekly COVID testing. We will test classrooms if there is a close contact exposure (i.e. a staff member or child in the classroom tests positive). With the exception of biweekly testing for staff and children, all other procedures outlined in the [COVID Update in November](#) will be followed.

Fisher staff and children are welcome to get a test at DU during [testing hours](#). Please reach out to Hema or Yoshie if you have questions.

Welcome back and here's to a great 2023 as part of the Fisher community!!

Hema



<p style="text-align: center;">UPCOMING EVENTS</p> <p>January 16 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (Fisher Closed) January 17 Professional Development (Fisher Closed) January 30 Illegal Pete's Restaurant Fundraiser</p> <p>February 9 WISH GIFTS Fundraiser February 20 Professional Development (Fisher Closed) February 28 Cherry Cricket Fundraiser</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">BIRTHDAYS</p> <p>January 3 Holly Penta (PC) 5 Alex Kogstad (FST) 28 Betsy Low (FIT SW)</p> <p>February 3 Danielle Einck (FST) 4 Anna Burnett (PC) 4 Kristen Kelly (LB) 27 Xané duToit (DSS)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">2023-2024 School Year Calendar and Tuition</p> <p>Next year's school calendar and tuition rates will be sent out as soon as they are approved - hopefully, by the end of January.</p> <p>In the meantime, the current year's calendar (available on our website) lists our closures, <i>including</i> next summer's closures (July 4 and July 24-August 4, 2023).</p> <p>Please mark your calendars accordingly.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">2023-24 Enrollment & Fisher Summer Camp for PreK Graduates</p> <p>Casey is in the throes of enrollment for the new year! She is processing new applications daily, and has informed you all of schedule changes and sibling enrollment. Schedules <i>and only schedules</i> for the new year will be posted on the Motor Room doors next week.</p> <p>If you have any questions, please email her ASAP.</p> <p>Casey will also be sending information about our Summer Camp to PreK families this week. Camp will be held from June 20-August 11 for Fisher PreK graduates only.</p> <p>Registration for camp will happen in February.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Parent Advisory Council News</p> <p style="text-align: center;">RESTAURANT NIGHTS ~ FUNDRAISING EVENTS (local and online) ~ YEAR-ROUND FUNDRAISERS ~ COMMUNITY BUILDING EVENTS ~ and MORE!!!!</p>	

JANUARY
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FISHER FUNDRAISER!

Illegal Pete's
1744 E. Evans
January 30th | 4 - 7pm

Help support Fisher Early Learning Center! 50% of all proceeds from 4pm - 7pm on January 30th will go to Fisher. Includes all dine-in, call-in orders, carry out and gift cards.

WISH GIFTS fundraiser FEBRUARY 9TH

10% of all sales using the code on
2/9/23 will be donated to
FISHER EARLY LEARNING CENTER

5014 EAST HAMPDEN AVE, DENVER, CO 80222
750 S UNIVERSITY BLVD, DENVER, CO 80209

USE CODE: FELC2023
AT CHECKOUT ONLINE OR
MENTION THE CODE IN-STORE

WISHGIFTSDENVER.COM

VOTED BEST GIFT SHOP 6 YEARS
VOTED BEST KIDS' BOUTIQUE 5 YEARS

MINTED'S FUNDRAISING PROGRAM

shop. save. support.

We're partnering with Minted this holiday season. Get 20% off all holiday cards and gifts with our exclusive discount code, and Minted will donate 15% back to us. That's getting in the holiday spirit!

Use code:

FundraiseFELC



minted.
A MARKETPLACE OF INDEPENDENT ARTISTS



We raised over \$1000 through Minted!

**Our code will work all year round, so keep
using it for future needs!**

A benefit for
Fisher Early Learning Center



Mention FELC when dining
15% of proceeds back to FELC!

FEBRUARY 28 • TUESDAY
11 AM TO MIDNIGHT

2641 E 2ND AVE
DENVER CO 80206

King Soopers Community Rewards Competition

*In October we had 90 households registered and
raised \$763.24 that quarter (Jul-Sept).
We can do better!*

*We still need more/all Fisher families to register!
IT IS VERY EASY!*

*Register your King Soopers digital account by
scanning the QR code or following these
[directions](#). After you register your KS account,
add your child's name to the class competition
board by the front doors.*

*Also, an easy way for Fisher to receive more
fundraising is **sharing the QR code with family
and friends**. We normally bring in around \$3000
from this fundraiser each year. We hope to get
closer to \$5000+ this year!*



Already signed up?

Add your child(ren)'s name(s) to the board in the front hallway.

Need to sign up?

Do it...today!

<5 minutes of time for +\$10,000 for
Fisher!

King Soopers will give a portion of purchases back to
Fisher when customers register for Community Rewards
online. It could bring in +\$10,000 to Fisher per year.

How to register?

Scan this and follow the directions on the page



OR watch this video that shows you how to
<https://fb.gs/3goc6u>
Organization Name: Fisher Early Learning Center

WE BRING BALANCE ONE TO-DO LIST AT A TIME

T U L A

Could you use more time in your day?

- Meal Prep
- Meal Planning
- Errands
- Event Planning
- Research and Planning
- Shopping
- Household Management
- Organization
- +More!

Purchase as many or as few hours
as you need, we're here for it all.
TULA is your personal assistant at
the touch of a button!

10% of your purchase will go
back to the FISHER PAC.



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Use promo code
FISHER to get 10% off
purchase!

Thank you PAC Fundraising Committee for ALL you have done this year!

Shivani Pathak
Bo Sutton
Kathleen Casanova
Caitlin Whitham

LOVEVERY

Read below and check out the toys displayed in our front hallway.

Lovevery gives families a support system for a brighter future. The Play Kits were designed by experts to give your child exactly what they need—and love—as they develop. Lovevery links brain science and Montessori philosophy to the way you play and delivers a box full of stage-appropriate playthings straight to your home every 2–3 months. Lovevery wants you to feel confident you're giving your baby the best play essentials to help them grow, explore, and learn—all through the joy of play.

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Five reasons why parents love The Play Kits

- ✓ The right toys at the right time for stage-based play
- ✓ Convenient delivery to your home every 2–3 months
- ✓ Confidence you're giving your baby the best start
- ✓ A support system for early learning
- ✓ Modern, minimal and Montessori-inspired design

Lovevery's play essentials give you

- ✓ More confidence
- ✓ More convenience
- ✓ Less clutter & chaos
- ✓ A support system for early learning
- ✓ Comfort knowing your child's toys are safe and sustainable

Our Materials

From our packaging to our Playthings, Lovevery uses sustainable and safe materials to deliver the quality your child deserves.

What's good for our children is also good for the planet we share.

- Efficient packaging to reduce waste
- 100% FSC-certified, sustainably sourced wood
- 100% organic cotton in our Playthings and Home Collection
- OEKO-TEX® certified fabrics in our Home Collection: responsibly made for the environment and your loved ones
- Recycled paper
- Soy-based ink
- Plastics free from BPA and phthalates
- Handcrafted felt
- Water-based, nontoxic paint and finishes
- Recyclable packaging

Our Support System

Lovevery's stage-based support system for families includes the Play Guide that comes with every Play Kit, the [Here with you](#) blog, a [Playtime & Activities](#) hub, the "My New Life" podcast, and expert-backed tips and facts on their social channels @lovevery.

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Terms & Conditions: Use this code for \$20 off a new Play Kits Subscription (\$20 off when you Prepay for multiple Play Kits or \$10 off each of the first two Play Kits when you Pay per Kit). Valid for first-time subscribers only. Not combinable with other discount codes. Discount codes and coupons may not be shared, are not transferable, and may not be redeemed for cash. See our FAQs page at <https://lovevery.com/pages/help> for more details.

Fisher, DU and Community Events



Finding the right school for your kids can be hard

Join the Integrated Schools Denver Community for one of four virtual conversations on how to prioritize equity and integration in a system of choice.

December:

Monday: 12/5/22 6:30-7:30p
Sunday: 12/11/22 8p-9p

January:

Wednesday: 1/11/23 12p-1p
Thursday: 1/19/23 8p-9p

www.integratedschools.org



Register Here

Martin Luther King Jr. Marade (March and Parade) Denver - City Park ~ Monday, January 16

Some Fisher staff will be present and we would like to coordinate with any families attending. Please reach out to Hema if you plan to be there!

More information about the Marade can be found here:

[https://www.denver.org/event/martin-luther-king-marade-\(march-and-parade\)/97820/](https://www.denver.org/event/martin-luther-king-marade-(march-and-parade)/97820/)

INTRODUCING ADAPTIVE PRESCHOOL GYMNASTICS!



New Class Alert!

Our adaptive preschool gymnastics classes are designed for children ages 3-5 years old experiencing cognitive, physical or developmental disabilities. This class will focus on development of gross motor skills, strength, balance, falling safely, jumping, and landing using basic gymnastics skills and equipment.

These small group classes will introduce basic fine and gross motor skills through the fundamentals of gymnastics in a SAFE and FUN environment! If 1:1 support is needed or desired, a caregiver or support professional is welcome to join the participant.

Registration is open at this time to both current DU Learn Gymnastics families and the public. Please help us share this exciting new opportunity in our program!

Series 2 Class Day/Times

Wednesdays 10:30-11:20

-or-

Thursdays 10:30-11:20

[Register Here](#)

Newman Center Performance

Denver Brass

Saturday, February 11 7:30pm

Music in Motion! Twirling multicolor skirts spin like petals caught in a cool breeze on a hot summer night. Latin rhythms seep into your soul while your heartbeat keeps time. It's a sizzling blend of rhythm and romance, blazing brass and fiery dance. Bring a fan, it's going to be hot!

Featuring Fiesta Colorado Dance Company

BOGO ticket offer for Fisher students, that can be redeemed with the code **BOGOSTUDENT22**, at promo.newmantix.com.

Fisher Celebrating Families Board & PRIDE Flag – from Sean (CB Teacher)



*Dear Fisher Community,
I am making a Celebrating Families Board outside my classroom and wanted to extend it to all Fisher families to celebrate the unique diversity we have at Fisher. I ask for family pictures from all the families at Fisher. I would just need one picture of whatever representation of family it is you would like celebrated.*

Why a Pride Flag? It literally is part of the definition of Inclusion in DEI. For many people it represents safety – safety to be who they are, their authentic selves, and free to express themselves in a safe, loving, accepting space. I, and the Bunnies, want to extend our safe space and unconditional family love to you all. Please send photos to cowboybunnies@du.edu and check out the flag outside of the CB classroom!

Fisher Inclement Weather Procedures

The safety of Fisher's families and staff will be the primary consideration in keeping the school open or closed. The safety of everyone at Fisher is very important, as is the ability for children to be at school, and teachers and parents to work. Everyone's understanding is appreciated as we consider the balance between these priorities and make the best decision possible given the information at hand.

Fisher's decision-making process during inclement weather will always take into account DU and local school districts' decisions, including, but not limited to DPS.

- If there is a prediction for inclement weather (i.e. steady snowfall, freezing temps, etc.) overnight and/or into the morning hours, Fisher will most likely expect a delayed opening of 1-2 hours based on total accumulation and end time.
- If there is a prediction for inclement weather (i.e. steady snowfall, freezing temps, etc.) for the majority of the work day/Fisher operating hours, Fisher will most likely be closed that day.

For both of these scenarios, families will receive a message from Fisher's administrative staff by 10pm the day before the delay or closure.

- If it is far too difficult to make a decision until the morning, a message saying that will be shared by 10pm and a follow up confirmation of the decision will be sent by 5:30am the next morning.
- There may also be times that an early closure is necessary, and families will be informed of that with an expected arrival time within 1.5 hours of when the message is shared.

In the event of a closure, late start or early dismissal, the Center or your child's classroom will send an email informing families of our status. Fisher's status will be posted on all major television channels and their websites. We advise families, in any case, to check their email and Fisher's website during inclement weather for the most up-to-date information regarding whether or not Fisher is open. We encourage every staff member and family to exercise their best judgment during inclement weather situations.

