

Fisher Early Learning Center



Director's Message

Happy October! As we embrace the fall season, I want to take a moment to reflect on our first month together. Despite some challenges with illness in the building, I'm thrilled to share that our Back to School Night was a wonderful success, with 59 parents joining us!

We had a very productive Professional Development Day on Friday and we are so thankful for the opportunity to be able to continuously grow and learn together!

Thank you for your continued support and understanding. I'm excited for the upcoming weeks filled with learning, growth, and plenty of fun fall activities.

Best, Ms. Lauren

Important Dates:

October 1st-4th

Picture Days

October 14th

No School: Professional Development Day

October 18th

Crimson Classic 5k*

Fisher Family Movie Night at MCE "Coco"

October 19th

Hocktober*

October 24th

Wish Fundraiser*

Happy Canyon Location

October 31st

Fall Festival/ Parade

November 1st

No School: Parent

Teacher Conferences

November 9th

Fisher Fall Gala*

*See attached flyers

Health Update: Our cases of the GI illness around the center have started to slow down. It seems that we are hitting the end of it, but we have not hit the 24 hours without any new cases yet, but we are getting there.

We have already had some cold and COVID illness in the building. Teachers have notified their classrooms with any new illnesses.

Drop in for a DU Gymnastics Playgroups (Different from gymnastics classes
9:00-9:45 am (walking-age 4)

This parent-participation group is designed for young children to build coordination and confidence in a play-based environment. \$20/per kiddo.

10:00-10:50 am (ages 5-8) Bring your kiddo to this "big kid" class where we will start with a warm-up circle, and stretching. This class is for kiddos only. Grown-ups can watch from the bleachers. \$20/per kiddo.

Please contact gymnasticsplaygroup@gmail.com if you have questions.

[More information can be found here:](#)

Why Fisher?

Being new to Fisher, I wanted to capture our current levels of experience and education. I am so excited to share this information:

- Collectively, we have over **400 years of experience** in early childhood education with an average of 11 years
- 90% of our staff has at least one Bachelor's Degree
- 44% of our staff has at least one Master's Degree
- 41% of our staff are currently enrolled in courses towards a degree
- 6% of our staff have a PhD, EdD, or EdS
- Our staff can speak French, Spanish, Marathi, Hindi, Norwegian, Telugu, Japanese, Farsi, Igbo, Yoruba, Tagalog, and American Sign Language!



Fisher 2025-2026 Tours

Do you have any friends or families interested in hearing more about Fisher?

Casey has tours this month: October 10th, October 15th, October 24th, and October 29th.
Families must RSVP in advance.

Minted coupon code:
FUNDRAISEFELC
WHICH KICKS BACK
15% TO Fisher



Try It Out... Infants

For infants, we will explore a pumpkin! If you feel more comfortable, wash the pumpkin before starting this process. Start by letting them touch and feel the pumpkins texture, as you introduce the name and color of the pumpkin. You can also describe the shape of the pumpkin. Next, engage in a sensory experience by cutting open the pumpkin and allowing your infant to reach inside to discover the seeds. Use descriptive language to build vocabulary and describe what it feels like, the temperature, etc. For less mess, you can always put inside of the pumpkin inside of a Ziplock bag and tape it closed or tape it to the top of a table and let them squish and explore, keeping an eye on the discoveries.

Try It Out... Toddler

For toddlers, you can enhance the pumpkin activity by allowing them to help scoop out the seeds and insides of your pumpkin, encouraging them to describe the textures and sounds they encounter.

Try It Out... PS/PK

For your 3- or 4-year-old, after they help scoop out the seeds and insides of your pumpkin, encourage them to help you sort the seeds by size (little or big seeds).

Challenge: count how many seeds the pumpkin has.

Song to try:

Tune of "London Bridge is Falling Down"

**Autumn leaves are falling down,
Falling down, falling down,
Autumn leaves are falling down,
All around the town.**

Song to try:

Tune of "The Farmer in the Dell"

**We're in the pumpkin patch,
We're in the pumpkin patch,
Let's find a pumpkin
big and round,
We're in a pumpkin patch!**

Thank You!

Teachers:

I have met with 32 teachers/staff in 1:1 meetings and I truly have appreciated having the time to get to know each one of you a little bit more and I am starting to understand what makes Fisher so special!

Yoshie:

Thank you for all of your knowledge and support during this transition. I appreciate all of your help and I look forward to building a strong leadership team with you!

Meaghan:

Thank you for your patience and insight into Fisher and our curriculum. I am excited about the next steps that are ahead for Fisher teachers, the curriculum, and our classrooms!

Casey & Melanie:

Thank you for your support and smiles throughout the day! I appreciate you both so much!

Families:

Thank you so much for the morning smiles and introductions! I have heard from a few of you on how special Fisher is to your family and I truly appreciate hearing how we can continue to provide quality care or make changes to improve our practices! Please reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

FIT Families: PEP Conference



Parents Encouraging Parents is a conference, for families and parents who have children with disabilities, ages birth to 21. This conference is family-centered and designed to offer support, information, and education to parents and professionals who are Colorado residents.

The Next PEP Conference:

October 18, 2024

9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

October 19, 2024

7:30 AM - 3:15 PM

DoubleTree by

Hilton Hotel Denver - Aurora

[Register Here](#)

Family Testimonials

If you're a parent who would like to share what makes our center special for your family, or if you have a snippet about a teacher that you absolutely adore, we invite you to fill out this form.

We'd love to share these special moments with our staff and the community!

[Share Yours Here](#)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

UPCOMING EVENT IMPACTING YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2024 | ROAD CLOSURES 2:00PM - 5:30 PM



ROADS IMPACTED:

- S. High Street
- S. Race Street
- S. Gaylord Street
- S. York Street
- E. Wesley Avenue
- E. Illiff Avenue
- Daniel L. Ritchie Way (Circle Drive)

During Homecoming Weekend, the University of Denver's 12th Annual Crimson Classic 5k Run/1.5 Mile Walk on Friday, October 18, 2024 will create a car-free route for participants on the DU Campus and surrounding areas from 2pm – 5:30pm.

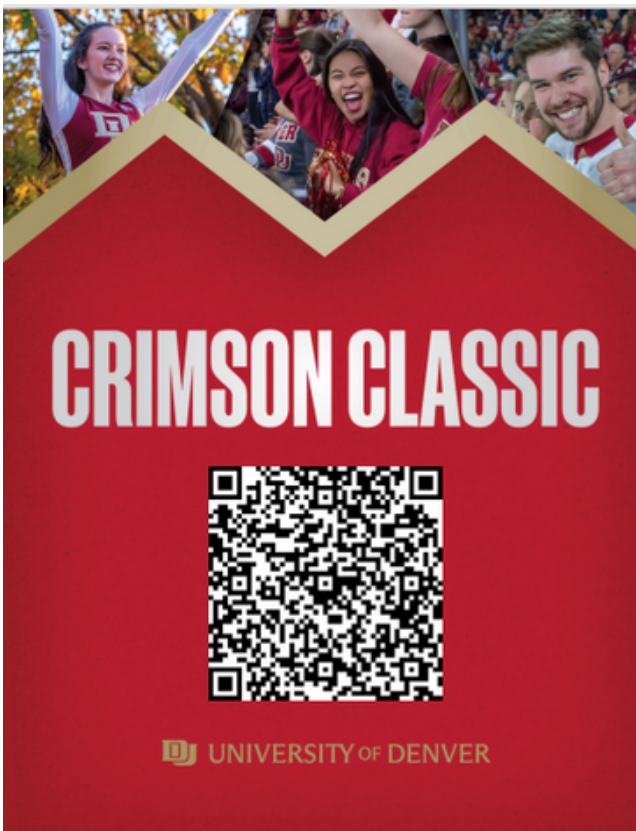
We apologize for any inconvenience and appreciate your patience and support.

Crimson Classic 5k/1.6 Mile Walk: RACE ROUTE MAP


1.6 Mile Walk: **ONE LAP** Point A to Point A

5K Run: **TWO LAPS** Point A to Point I to Point B

★ Start + Finish



CRIMSON CLASSIC



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HOCKTOBERFEST

Family Friendly

Join the Fisher Community at DU's HocktoberFest on
Saturday, Oct. 19th from 4-6pm! Bounce Houses,
Games, Beer Garden - All Family-Friendly!



Free to Attend | Food & Drink for Purchase. Register Online Now!



homecoming.du.edu

FELC WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO A

SHOPPING PARTY

AT WISH GIFTS

THUR **24** OCT

6PM-8PM

HAPPY CANYON LOCATION

5014 EAST HAMPDEN AVE

DENVER, CO 80222

A FUN NIGHT AT AN AWARD WINNING GIFT STORE
WITH PRIVATE SHOPPING, SWEET
TREATS, & LITE BITES

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COMMUNITY AT DU'S

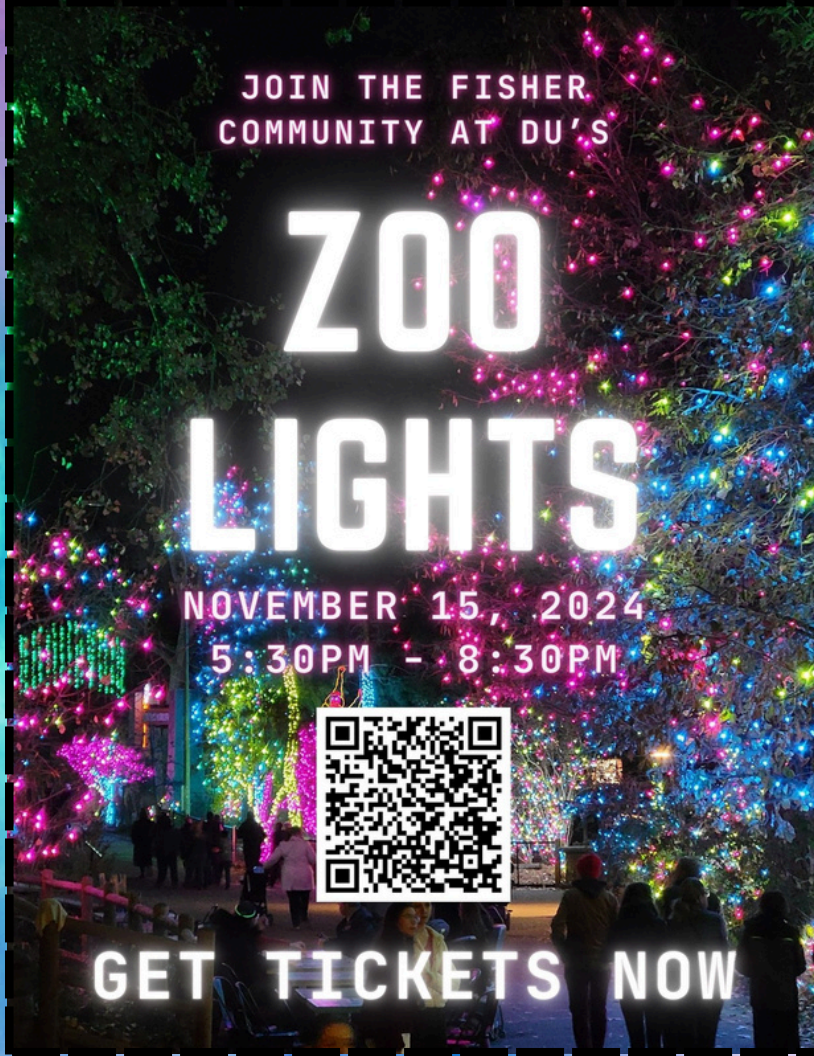
ZOO LIGHTS

NOVEMBER 15, 2024

5:30PM - 8:30PM



GET TICKETS NOW





Fisher Early Learning Center's

FALL

gala

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

5:30-8:30PM

FUNDRAISING | FOOD | DRINKS

At The Fritz Knoebel School of
Hospitality Management