



Fisher Early Learning Center



Fisher Family News

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Director's Message

Dear Fisher Families,

Happy October! The children are enjoying the beauty of fall—collecting colorful leaves, noticing changes outdoors, and talking about pumpkins and cooler weather. As temperatures drop, please take a moment to check your child's cubby and connect with teachers to be sure they have what they need for outdoor play. Colorado weather can be unpredictable, so please send a warm jacket, snow pants, boots, waterproof gloves, and a hat, all labeled with your child's name.

As we move into cold and flu season, we also want to remind families to review the ["How Sick Is Too Sick?" guidelines here](#) from the CDPHE. If your child has a fever, vomiting, or an unexplained rash, they'll need to stay home or will be sent home to recover and can return when they are symptom free for 24 hours.

We've noticed more illnesses among teachers recently, and your help in keeping children home when they're unwell makes a big difference in keeping our classrooms healthy.

Thank you for your continued partnership and for helping us care for the health and comfort of all our children, families, and staff as we move into the cozy fall months ahead.

Best
Lauren

Save The Date

- October 7th-8th Chook Chicken*
- October 11th We Read Big Breaths for Big Feelings*
- October 13th Fisher Closed for Professional Development
- October 24th Sibling Priority Applications Due
- October 26th Fisher Barre3 Class*
- October 31st Halloween Campus Trick-or-Treating.
 - **Early Release Fisher Closes at 12:00 p.m.**
- November 3rd Fisher Closed Parent Teacher Conferences
- November 4-21st Canned Food Drive*



JEDI Encanto movie night

*See Flyer Attached



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Thank you to everyone who came out to the movie night to watch Encanto with the JEDI Committee

Sibling Priority Enrollment & 2026–2027 Enrollment

Sibling Priority Enrollment forms for the 2026-2027 school year will be out in the front office by Friday, please keep an eye out for them as they are due October 24th. Families will also need to submit a \$100 non refundable enrollment fee by check at the time of submission.

In addition, next week we will start asking all families to share their intention to return for the 2026–2027 school year. This helps us plan for staffing, classrooms, and resources for next year.

We have started tours for the 2026–2027 school year. The lottery for new families will open December 1st and run through February 13th. Current families do not need to reapply for the lottery.

Thank you for helping us plan a smooth enrollment process for all families!



Purple Coyotes exploring the sensory table.

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Parking Reminder

We kindly ask families to avoid parking in the staff parking lot during drop-off and pick-up times. Teachers and staff pay for these spaces, and the university has recently become very strict, issuing tickets and even booting cars. To avoid fines or disruptions, please use street parking when dropping off or picking up your child. Thank you for helping us keep things running smoothly!



Abiyoyos painting a castle for their unit on Fairy Tales

Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ)

Families will receive an email next week with a link to complete the Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ). We're asking all families with children ages 0-3, as well as new families, to complete their ASQs before parent-teacher conferences. This developmental screening helps us better understand and support each child's growth. Once completed, families can expect to receive results by mid-November.



Friendly Sea Turtles building with tiles

Fisher Advisory Board New Links

General Comment Box:

Make sure to have photos that match your stories well too.

- Share feedback, ideas, or questions

This link is always live and will always serve as a confidential way for anyone to share feedback, questions, or thoughts with the board and with the Fisher Leadership.

Get to Know You Survey:

Make sure to have photos that match your stories well too.

- Help us learn more about your family and how you'd like to get involved
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Pre-K Playground Updates

Thank you to all the parents and community members who raised critical funds for our Playground Campaign at the end of the 2024-2025 school year! I wanted to provide a brief update on the project and where we are in the process of refreshing our outdoor play spaces with new playground enhancements.

Our team has purchased several new items for the preschool playground. We are excited to work with DU facilities to install garden benches for the teachers, a water table, sand sensory table, double bikes, helmets, and gardening supplies. Students will use new gardening tools and a new watermill to grow seasonal items and learn about science. This will allow us to further build on our gardening grant that we were awarded - enhancing our playground and helping all kids learn.

We are waiting on a final install date from GoPlay, the manufacturer of our playground pieces. Once we get all the newly manufactured pieces delivered and installed, we would like to have a ribbon cutting to celebrate. More details to come soon.

Thank you again for supporting our playground project. Be on the lookout for some of these new items outside on the playground.

Link your King Soopers to Fisher

Support Fisher Through King Soopers Community Rewards!

Did you know that just 5 minutes of your time could mean over \$10,000 for Fisher each year? King Soopers will donate a portion of your purchases back to our school through their Community Rewards Program—at no extra cost to you! Whether or not you already have a King Soopers Card, registering takes 1–5 minutes online and directly supports our classrooms, teachers, and program.

Visit [King Soopers Rewards](#) for instructions on how to sign up!

Thank you for helping us make a big difference with such a small step!



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Thank you for a wonderful Back to School Night!

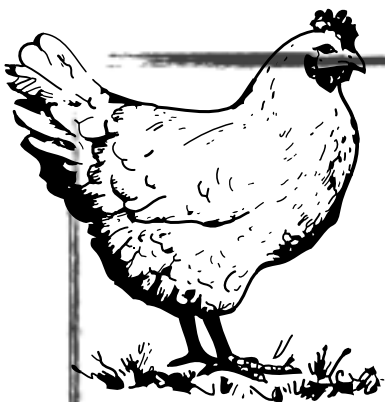
I want to take a moment to extend a huge thank you to all of our incredible Fisher teachers for the time, energy, and creativity you poured into preparing for Back to School Night. The boards, brochures, classroom displays, and photos were absolutely wonderful and it was clear how much thought and care went into showcasing your classrooms and all of the exciting learning experiences happening each day.

This year's event had a slightly different feel than in the past, but the feedback has been overwhelmingly positive. We truly enjoyed the chance to walk around, connect with teachers, and get a glimpse into the rich, engaging environments you've created. Many also loved being able to "peek" into other classrooms and see the continuity of learning and care that makes Fisher such a special place.

I also want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all of the parents who joined us for the evening. I know it's not always easy to attend adult-only events, and we truly appreciate you making the time to be here. We hope the event gave you an opportunity to focus on your role as a parent, connect with your child's teachers, and build relationships with other families in our community. Your partnership and engagement make such a meaningful difference in the life of our school.

Thank you again to our wonderful teachers and families for making Back to School Night such a warm, engaging, and successful event. You are the heart of the Fisher community, and it's because of your dedication, enthusiasm, and care that our program continues to grow and thrive!

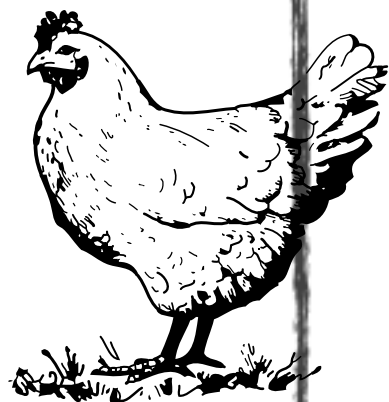




Feed your
flock!

Tuesday & Wednesday
October 7th & 8th

Mention Fisher Early Learning or
enter code **"Schools20"** online at
ChookChicken.com & we'll donate
back a portion of sales.



Looking to feed an office or crew? Email catering@chookchicken.com

Available at:
Chook on Pearl
1300 S Pearl St in Denver
303-282-8399 xt 1

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Big Breaths FOR BIG FEELINGS

Baby and Me Storytime Event (ages 0-5)
Older siblings welcome!!

University of Denver's **FREE** monthly family storytime!

Grow calm minds & strong readers! Learn how
mindfulness can support your little's emotion
regulation and literacy skills.

Register Here!



Free
children's
books to
take home!

Saturday, October 11th at 10:30-11:15 am
Anderson Academic Commons
2150 E Evans Ave, Denver, CO 80208 Room 290

BARRE3 BELLEVIEW STATION
4930 S. NEWPORT ST.

OCT. 26, 2025 @ 12PM

Fisher Barre3 Class

SUGGESTED DONATION OF \$20-\$30
ALL NET PROCEEDS TO BE DONATED TO SCHOOL
PAYMENT DETAILS TO BE PROVIDED AT A LATER DATE

SIGN UP AT QR CODE
25 SPOTS AVAILABLE



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FISHER EARLY LEARNING CENTER

Food Drive

NOVEMBER 4-21, 2025

We're collecting donations for **Food Bank of the Rockies** from Nov. 4-21. Help support local families by donating non-perishable, shelf-stable food in the front lobby bins.

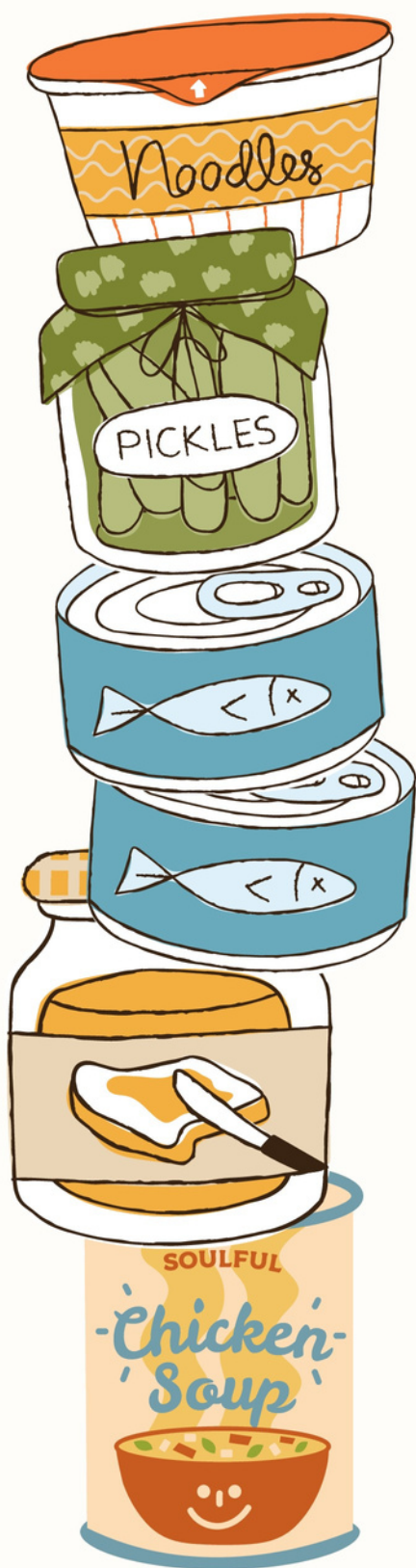
How it works:

- Drop items in the bin
- Add a sticker to your classroom chart
- 1 item = 1 sticker
- The classroom with the most stickers wins bragging rights!

Some suggested items:

- Peanut Butter & Jelly
- Pasta
- Tuna
- Baked or Dry Beans
- Soup & Chili
- Canned Fruits & Veggies
- Stuffing / Gravy

Items we do not accept: damaged, expired, or items packaged in glass.





King Soopers Rewards

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 takes **5 minutes** or less and could bring **+\$10,000** to Fisher per year if **everyone** registers.

How to register:

Whether you have a King Soopers Card or not, it will take between 1 to 5 minutes

Just head over to

<https://www.kingsoopers.com/i/community/community-rewards> for instructions on how to sign up!

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