



Fisher Early Learning Center



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Director's Message

Dear Fisher Families and Staff,

February is here, and with it comes so many meaningful and joyful moments across our classrooms. This month, you may see children learning through celebrations and special observances such as Valentine's Day, Lunar New Year, Black History Month, American Heart Month, Mardi Gras, and others. You may see these themes reflected in classroom activities, books, art, music, and conversations as we continue to nurture curiosity, kindness, and community. If you have specific ideas or contributions, please reach out to your classroom teachers as they would love to welcome you into the classroom to share.

I also want to share a personal update with you. As many of you might be aware that I am expecting, and I am grateful for the support and well wishes from our Fisher community. Our administrative team is working thoughtfully on a coverage plan while I am on maternity leave. I am currently anticipating being out beginning at the end of March (possibly early April) and returning most likely the beginning of July. As soon as plans are finalized, we will share more details. Thank you for being such a caring and supportive community, we look forward to a wonderful month together!

Best,

Lauren

Save The Date

- February 16th: Professional Development- Closed
- March 1st: Fisher Mat Pilates Class*
- March 6th: Professional Development-Closed
- March 23rd-27th: Spring Break-Closed

*See Flyer Attached



PreK Ribbon Cutting Ceremony



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Thank You for Supporting Our PreK Playground!

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to both our current and past families for your incredible generosity and support of our PreK playground. Thanks to your donations, we were thrilled to host our playground ribbon-cutting ceremony on January 29th to celebrate this special milestone.

Because of your generosity, our playground is now filled with engaging, safe, and exciting new features for our PreK students. Our main playground structure—previously broken—is now fully repaired, safe, and ready for play. Children are enjoying new double trikes with helmets, street signs, and a stoplight to support imaginative play and safe riding. We also added a large playhouse, a greenhouse with shelves, a garden planting table, compost bin, gardening gloves, and a sand table to support hands-on learning. Teachers now have garden benches to comfortably observe and engage with children during outdoor play.

For our sports enthusiasts, we now have soccer nets, cones, and a football throwing game. And since obstacle courses have been a big interest this year, students can create their own courses using new equipment, along with bowls to sit, rock, or climb in. This playground truly reflects the interests of our children and the generosity of our community. We are so grateful to everyone who helped make this space come to life!

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Fisher Advisory Board Links

General Comment Box:

Comment Box

- 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:

Survey Link

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



UPK Open Enrollment Reminder

UPK open enrollment is now open! This is a friendly reminder for families whose child is or will be 4 years old next school year, that this is the time to apply for Universal Preschool (UPK). UPK funding is only available during the year your child is 4, so it is important to apply as soon as possible to receive this benefit.

If your child is 4 years old now, or will turn 4 this year, please be sure to complete the UPK application. If you currently have a 4-year-old and missed the enrollment window last spring, you may still apply now using the link below. UPK has shared that they are able to go back up to 45 days to provide retroactive funding.

Apply here:

[Apply 2025-2026 Fisher \(This year\)](#)

[Apply 2026-2027 Here \(Direct Enroll is April 1st\)](#)

If you have any questions, please reach out to our enrollment team for support.



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Meet Our New Enrollment Coordinator, Janet!



We are excited to introduce Janet Constantino as our new Enrollment Coordinator. Janet has been a valued member of the Fisher community for over fifteen years and brings nearly thirty years of experience in early childhood education. Prior to Fisher, she served as a center director and prekindergarten teacher in the Archdiocese of Denver, and she is group leader and director qualified, holds a master's degree in communication, and is currently pursuing a second master's degree in organizational leadership with an emphasis in diversity, equity, and inclusion. Janet also holds an Early Childhood Family Associate endorsement (ECMH-E) and is a member of the World Association for Infant Mental Health (WAIMH), reflecting her deep commitment to supporting children and families through relationship-based and culturally responsive practices. A proud DU family, all three of Janet's children are DU graduates, and she is also a grandmother to two young grandsons. We are grateful to have Janet in this new role supporting our families—please reach out as needed: Billing questions: FELC.billing@du.edu | Enrollment questions: FELC.enrollment@du.edu.

Fisher Teacher Spotlight, Meet Jeremy!

Jeremy joined the Fisher community in November as a substitute teacher and quickly became a valued and trusted member of our team. He is now the Continuity of Care Associate Teacher for the Laughing Butterflies and Rainbow Fish classrooms/pod, where he brings consistency, warmth, and a positive presence to children each day. Before Fisher, Jeremy worked in elementary schools and as a Registered Behavior Technician (RBT), giving him a strong foundation in supporting children with diverse needs and fostering social-emotional growth.

Jeremy is known for his eagerness to learn, positive attitude, and genuine care for children. He is classically trained in voice, acting, and multiple instruments, and enjoys sharing creativity through music and performance. He also loves reading and is teaching himself several languages. Jeremy believes every child deserves encouragement and opportunity, and he is proud to support children and families as part of the Fisher community.





Families Wanted!

CHILD DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

The University of Denver is inviting families with children ages 6 months to 5 years to take part in a fun, interactive activity focused on caregiver–child connection.

The session takes place on campus at DU’s Caring for you and Baby (CUB) Clinic and lasts about two hours.

Families will spend time playing and completing simple activities together while supporting student learning. As a thank–you, every child receives a gift for participating!



TO PARTICIPATE

Email Dr. Jacqueline Jacobs
Jacqueline.Jacobs@du.edu



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5979 S. UNIVERSITY BLVD.

~~JAN 25, 2026 @ 12:30PM~~

RESCHEDULED TO
MARCH 1 @ 12:30PM

Fisher Mat Pilates Class

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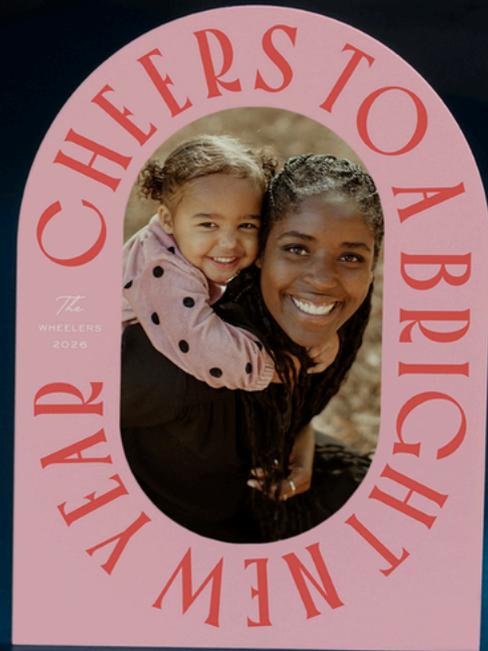
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