



August 2018



SOARING OUT ABOVE THE REST

Principal Lori Pizzo
Assistant Principal Jose Tapia

School Office Hours:
7:00am—3:30pm
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623-772-2610
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623-478-9912

*"The greatest gifts you can give your children
are the roots of responsibility and the wings of independence."
—Denis Waitley*



From the Desk of Principal Pizzo

Dear Canyon Breeze Community,

A new school year brings a new energy and excitement for what's to come for our students, and boy can you sense that excitement here! Our staff has been very busy creating dynamic classroom environments for the return of students. We have also been engaging in fantastic team building and we are ready to have an incredible school year!

Student safety remains a top priority. We will continue to be a closed campus this school year. We welcome our parents and value the role that our families play in student success. Please just sign in at the front office when visiting the school campus. Visitors will need to show their ID and leave that ID in the front office in exchange for a visitor badge. Please remember to sign out in the office and retrieve your ID upon leaving campus.

School starts promptly at 7:30 a.m. each day. Students may be dropped off as early as 7:10 a.m. Gates will open at 7:15 a.m. when supervision of students begins. Students go directly to their classrooms and will be greeted at the door by their homeroom teacher. Free breakfast for all students will be served in the classrooms from 7:15 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. Students are considered late after the 7:30 a.m. school bell. Once students have arrived on campus, they may not leave the campus during school hours unless they are officially "signed out" by a parent/guardian or individual designated on the student's emergency contact section of the student registration form.

Parents please notify the school office in writing of any changes to the information on the student registration form. This includes changes to who can be contacted in the event of an emergency or who can pick up the child from the school campus. All emergency contacts must be 18 years of age or older. Individuals not specifically listed on the student registration form will **not** be allowed to remove a student from school. We will have student profiles to be updated with your child's teacher during Meet the Teacher on Tuesday, July 31 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. If you are unable to join us, your child's profile will be sent home.

While we understand that emergency situations do arise, making it necessary to pick a student up early from school, please try to schedule all appointments before or after school. This will ensure that we protect instructional minutes and limit classroom disruptions. Please note that we are not able to release students during the last 30 minutes of the school day, with the exceptions of emergencies. This is a very critical time for teachers to end their day, ensuring that all students have instructional closure and are dismissed safely home from school.

Thank you for your support in making the 2018—19 school year the best year yet!

Your partner in education,

Lori Pizzo

**UPCOMING EVENTS
IN AUGUST:**

July 31	Meet the Teacher 5-630pm
Aug 2	First Day of School for Students Drop off 7:10-7:30am
Aug 7, 21	Governing Board Meeting at the Pendergast District Office, 6:00pm
Aug 8, 15, 22, 29	Early Release 12:00 pm Dismissal
Aug 17	Parent Luncheon PLC 3841 N. 91st Ave 11-12
Aug 30 & 31	Professional Development for Teachers No School for Students

Please apply now for lunch benefits!!

If you would like your student(s) to participate in the Free and Reduced Lunch program, you must apply or reapply every year for benefits. It may take up to 10 school days for applications to be reviewed and accepted or denied, so please make sure to send your students with lunch money or a lunch until you receive notification. We will ensure that every child is provided lunch each day. **We ask that ALL FAMILIES APPLY, even if you feel as though you may not qualify, to ensure all of our families are reached.** Please apply at www.pendergast.schoollunchapp.com. We will also have computers in every classroom available during Meet the Teacher Night.