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McAuliffe Manual School News | December 1, 2016

Principal's Message

Dear McAuliffe Manual 6th Graders and Families:

We've had an exciting launch to our winter sports season with basketball and cheerleading starting. Students are really stepping up and embracing the leadership role that being a student athlete offers. It was especially exciting to see students practice at our Manual High School Campus. We are gearing up for our move there next school year and will keep you all updated as more details become available.

At community meeting this week we talked about starting a student leadership group called the Principal's Cabinet. This group will meet twice a month to discuss school issues, student ideas and concerns, and discuss student life at McAuliffe Manual. Student leaders on the cabinet will have an opportunity to develop leadership skills, public speaking skills, and communication skills. The application process is underway – please talk with your student if they are interested in participating.



Home of the Thunder!

IMPORTANT DATES

Thurs 12/1

CSC Meeting, 6:00pm
Community
Involvement Meeting,
7:15pm

Fri 12/2

Coffee with Principal

Thurs 12/15

Late Start at 10:15am

Thurs 12/22-Tues 1/5

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No School Winter Break

Thank you,
Principal Jessica Long

Thurs 1/5

School Resumes

Thurs 1/5-Fri 1/6

No DPS Bus

Transportation

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for [iOS](#) and [Android](#)!



TOP NEWS

Upcoming Meetings

The CSC meeting has been rescheduled to
Thursday, December 1st @ 6pm.

The PAC meeting has been rescheduled to
Thursday, December 1st @ 7:15 pm.

McAuliffe Manual Giving Tree

Please join the Critical
Needs Committee in
spreading some holiday
cheer to McAuliffe Manual
families in need this holiday
season! As a school



community, we are eager to assist these students
in meaningful ways so that they know that we care.
You can give back to our school community by
choosing a wish or two to grant. Visit the "[McAuliffe
Giving Tree](#)" to see how you can help!

Please return all gifts to the office no later than
Friday, December 16th, wrapped or in a gift bag
with a tag denoting the letter code from Sign-up
Genius.

Also, help us spread the word! We'd love to get
this message out to as many people as possible
who may want to help (they need not be McAuliffe
families to sponsor a child); so please send the link
along to your friends. There are MANY wishes to

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Kim Ezrine at kimezrine@yahoo.com.

Thanks so much for helping to make the holiday season brighter for these students and their families!

Spark Change Update

Spark Change officially ends this Friday, December 2nd. We're so close to the finish line, but we're not there yet. Thank you to everyone who has contributed and let's finish off on a strong note. Congratulations to Europe and South America for meeting last week's goal. And a special congratulations to South America for increasing its donations the most.

On Thursday, December 1st, we will have a corn toss and a bottle flip to give us one last push. Go Thunder!!

Lost and Found Donation – December 15th

Lost and Found items will be donated at 4:00pm on Thursday, December 15th. The lost and found bins can be found in the main office.

6th Grade Team Building

Our sixth graders will participate in community-building activities, presented by [The Ovation Company](#) on Thursday, December 15th. Students will have the opportunity to make new friends, while learning valuable lessons about courage and kindness. This will be a great opportunity for students to show our IB Attribute of being a risk taker. Students will also learn how to stay safe online. After the event, ask your sixth grader what they enjoyed and learned!

Altius Quartet Performance

[한국어](#)[한국어](#)[македонски јазик](#)[بهاس ملايو](#)[Malti](#)[Norsk](#)[Polski](#)[Português](#)[Português - Portugal](#)[Română](#)[Русский](#)[Español](#)[Kiswahili](#)[Svenska](#)[עברית](#)[Lietuvių](#)[latviešu](#)[slovenčina](#)[slovenščina](#)[српски](#)[தமிழ்](#)[ภาษาไทย](#)[Türkçe](#)[Filipino](#)[українська](#)[Tiếng Việt](#)

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receive a performance in the auditorium by the Altius Quartet. The Altius Quartet, Fellowship Quartet-In-Residence at CU Boulder, offers students the opportunity release their inner DJ in a unique “Shuffle” program. From a wide-ranging menu of pieces — from Mozart and Beethoven to Taylor Swift and Led Zeppelin — students help to choose what they want the quartet to play. As they go, they learn about a wide variety of composers and musical styles. For more information on the The Altius Quartet, visit their [website](#).

No DPS Bus Transportation January 5th-6th

There will be no DPS bus transportation on Thursday, January 5th and Friday, January 6th. Please make arrangements to transport your child to and from school on these days.

WEEK IN REVIEW

Service Learning Update

Today's Service Trip was being reading buddies at Ashley Elementary School in both first and second grade classrooms. The first graders were both shy and excited to see the big kids. They were paired up in small groups and found a cosy spot in the classroom to read. The McAuliffe Manual students did a great job keeping the younger kids engaged and making reading fun. Next, we went to a second grade class and the kids were able to choose to read on an iPad or from books from the library and it was great to see that many of the 2nd graders chose non-fiction books about the chateaus in France, the origin of Chocolate and Bugs! The McAuliffe Manual students were sweet, kind, respectful and great reading buddies. Good job

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REMINDERS

Uniforms – Reminders and Winter Layers

If you have not already purchased McAuliffe Manual uniform items for winter weather like long-sleeve t-shirts, sweatshirts or a winter PE uniform that is now available, please do so right away to allow time for delivery before the cold weather is upon us. [Order online here.](#)

A couple of uniform reminders:

- Students are not allowed to wear their personal jackets or hoodies over their uniform shirts except traveling to and from school.
- Students may wear solid white, grey, or black long-sleeved t-shirts underneath their McAuliffe Manual t-shirts.

Easy No-Cost Fundraising

The King Sooper and Safeway/Albertson's gift

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your student's camp trip by purchasing groceries, gas, in-store Starbucks, lift-tickets, and sporting or event tickets. It's that easy! Please see Mrs. Valerie Cortez in the main office.

Information about our camp trip is repeated in the Reminders section below and can also be found on our new [Trips page](#) of our website.

YMCA Snow Mountain Ranch Camp Trip

Save the date! The McAuliffe Manual 6th grade class will travel to the Snow Mountain Ranch near Winter Park from May 24-26, 2017. We are waiting on final costs for the trip. The kids will get to enjoy archery, riding on a tubing hill, climbing on a climbing wall, camp fires and recreation time. A great way to earn money for the trip is to use the Safeway and/or King Sooper gift cards. As we get closer to the trip, we will ask for parent chaperones.

DPS Weather Delay Policy

Winter is right around the corner, and Denver Public Schools wants to remind families and educators to prepare for the cold temperatures. DPS is committed to informing families about school closures or delays as early as possible – with the goal to make the call by 5 a.m. In addition, DPS Transportation Services follows a [Weather Delay Schedule](#) for students who ride the school bus. Please click [here](#) for more information on school closure or delay procedures due to inclement weather. ***Please note – schools such as McAuliffe Manual that have a normal start time before 8:30am do not follow the delayed start schedule due to inclement weather.**

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2-1-1 Colorado Resources

2-1-1 Colorado is a free, confidential, multilingual service that refers callers to non-emergency health and human services. To volunteer or to make an in-kind or financial donation, visit the 211 Colorado [website](#), dial 211, or text 898-211 for more information.

- Rental / Utility Bills Assistance
- Housing / Emergency Shelter
- Food / Clothing Banks
- Mental Health Assistance
- Dealing With and Preventing Abuse
- GED / ESL Classes
- Suicide Intervention and Prevention
- Medical Clinics
- Rx Assistance
- Senior Services
- Youth Programs
- Support Groups
- Legal Assistance

HELPFUL LINKS

Principal Long: jessica_long@dpsk12.org

Main: 720-423-6550

Attendance line: 720-423-6551

Website: <http://mcauliffemanual.dpsk12.org/>

[McAuliffe Manual 2016-2017 Calendar](#)

App: Available for free download on [Apple iOS](#) and [Android](#) devices

Uniform orders: ThunderUniforms.com

School supplies list [here](#)

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