



FALCON HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

# Bird's Word

A ROSEVILLE AREA SCHOOL

October 13, 2022

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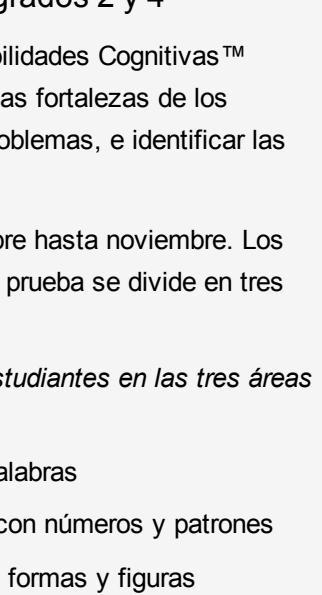
**Reminder:** No school Fall Recess, October 20-21

## Change in bus route number

Morning bus route #14 has been replaced with #4.

Afternoon bus route #43 has been replaced with #4.

The drivers, bus, and driving route have not changed, just the bus number has changed. Please call the office if questions (651-646-0021).

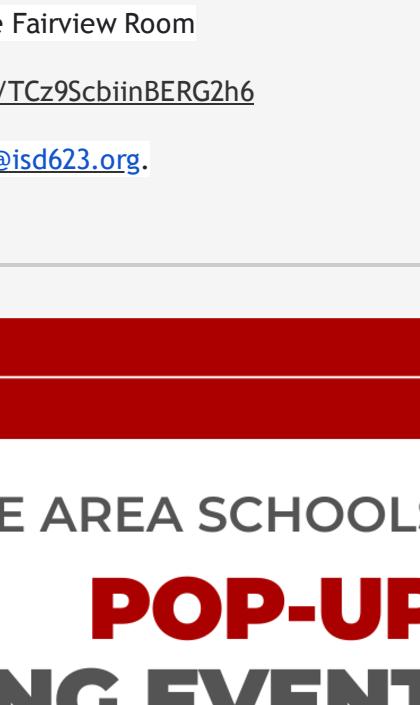


## Falcon Spiritwear orders are due tomorrow!

Please get orders and payments in by tomorrow, October 14th.

Click [here](#) for an order form.

## Open House & PTA pizza dinner October 27



Come to our open house on October 27 from 5:00-7:00pm. The PTA will offer a pizza dinner for purchase from 5:00-6:30pm in the cafeteria (cash or check):

- Cheese, Pepperoni and Sausage Pizza slices: \$2
- Pop, Water and Milk: \$0.50
- Cookies: \$0.50

## October is National Bullying Prevention Month

October is National Bullying Prevention Month, which is a time to focus and raise awareness on bullying. According to behavior.gov, "Bullying is behavior that involves a real or perceived power imbalance. The behavior is repeated, or has the potential to be repeated, over time." Bullying takes many, many forms and as adults in your child/ren's lives we are here to teach and support all students. It is our commitment to create a safe and supportive learning environment for all students. In our classrooms teachers will conduct lessons that address bullying and ways to stand up and not be bystanders. We know that students may make choices that can be hurtful to others and will help guide them through making amends. What we do not want to happen is situations to become bullying as defined above. We do encourage students and families to report concerns so that we can interrupt and

## CogAT

### CogAT Testing for Students in Grades 2 and 4

All students in grades 2 and 4 take the *Cognitive Abilities Test™* (CogAT®). The main purposes of the test are to identify student strengths in reasoning and problem solving skills, and to identify needs for advanced academics.

Students in grade 4 will take the test in late October through November. Second grade students will take the CogAT in December. The test is divided into three sessions on three different days. CogAT measures students' learned reasoning abilities in the three areas most closely related to success in school:

- Verbal → Reasoning and problem solving with words
- Quantitative → Reasoning and problem solving with numbers and patterns
- Nonverbal → Reasoning and problem solving with shapes and figures

Teachers will work through practice problems with students so they have experience with the type of problems that will be tested. Families can prepare their children by making sure they get enough sleep and teach kids to try their best and use the strategies they have learned.

We will use the results to focus on your child's strengths in reasoning when learning new content, and to offer enrichment opportunities to support learning strengths. Test results will be shared with families during winter conferences.

Families can refuse testing by completing [this form](#) and returning it to their child's teacher by October 19.

If you have any questions about CogAT testing, please contact Trina Hira at [trina.hira@isd623.org](mailto:trina.hira@isd623.org).

### Pruebas CogAT para estudiantes en los grados 2 y 4

Todos los estudiantes en los grados 2 y 4 toman la Prueba de Habilidades Cognitivas™ (CogAT®). Los propósitos principales de la prueba son identificar las fortalezas de los estudiantes en las habilidades de razonamiento y resolución de problemas, e identificar las necesidades académicas avanzadas.

Los estudiantes en el grado 4 tomarán la prueba a finales de octubre hasta noviembre. Los estudiantes de segundo grado tomarán el CogAT en diciembre. La prueba se divide en tres sesiones en tres días diferentes.

CogAT mide las habilidades de razonamiento aprendidas de los estudiantes en las tres áreas más relacionadas con el éxito en la escuela:

- Verbal → Razonamiento y resolución de problemas con palabras
- Cuantitativo → Razonamiento y resolución de problemas con números y patrones
- No verbal → Razonamiento y resolución de problemas con formas y figuras

Los maestros trabajarán con problemas de práctica con los estudiantes para que tengan experiencia con el tipo de problemas que se evaluarán. Las familias pueden preparar a sus hijos asegurándose de que duerman lo suficiente y diciéndoles que hagan todo lo posible y usen las estrategias que han aprendido.

Usaremos los resultados para centrarnos en las fortalezas de razonamiento de su hijo cuando aprende contenido nuevo y para ofrecer oportunidades de enriquecimiento para apoyar las fortalezas de aprendizaje. Los resultados de las pruebas se compartirán con las familias durante las conferencias de invierno.

Las familias pueden rechazar la prueba completando [este formulario](#) y devolviéndolo al maestro de su hijo antes del 19 de octubre.

Si tiene alguna pregunta sobre las pruebas CogAT, comuníquese con Trina Hira en [trina.hira@isd623.org](mailto:trina.hira@isd623.org).

## From the District

### Paraprofessional Hiring Event

Roseville Area Schools will be hosting onsite interviews at our Paraprofessional Pop-Up Hiring Event!

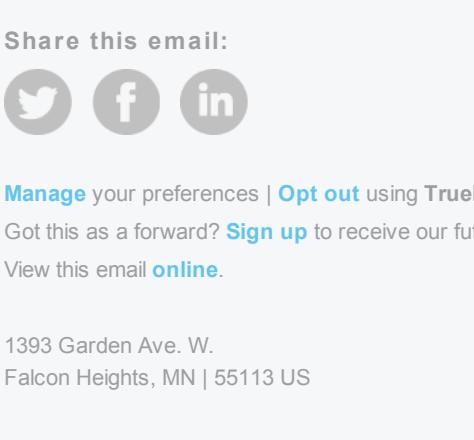
Date: Monday, October 24

Time: 12:00pm to 4:00pm

Location: Anpetú Téča Education Center, in the Fairview Room

The link to register is found here: <https://forms.gle/TCz9ScbiinBERG2h>

For any additional questions, please reach out to [hr@isd623.org](mailto:hr@isd623.org).



# POP-UP HIRING EVENT

During our one-day interview event, we will be hiring paraprofessionals for the 2022-2023 school year.

Monday, October 24

12:00-4:00 p.m.

CLICK HERE to sign up for an interview or visit [www.isd623.org](http://www.isd623.org)

Ramsey County is hosting a COVID vaccine & flu vaccine clinic at Anpetú Téča Education Center on October 19 from 2-6 p.m. At the vaccine clinic, you can choose the COVID vaccine/booster, the flu vaccine, or both. To register for the vaccine clinic, [CLICK HERE](#).

PLEASE NOTE: The CDC has authorized the use of an updated booster for individuals aged 5-11 and no longer allows the use of existing formulation for booster doses. Saint Paul - Ramsey County Public Health has pre-ordered this updated booster vaccine for individuals 5-11 but are unable to guarantee that they will have it in time for our clinic on 10/19.

# COVID & FLU VACCINE CLINIC

Wednesday, October 19

2:00-6:00 p.m.

Anpetú Téča Education Center



To REGISTER, CALL 651-604-3770 OR VISIT [ISD623.CE.ELEYO.COM](http://ISD623.CE.ELEYO.COM)

GRADES 1-6 | MONDAYS THROUGH DEC 19 | 8:00 - 8:45 AM | \$95

Please contact Jill Keenan at [jill.keenan@isd623.org](mailto:jill.keenan@isd623.org) if you are interested!

## Volunteers for Recess

We are excited to be having volunteers in the building once again and one of the places we are looking for some help is around recess. Specifically we could use someone to help get our Kindergarten and 1st graders dressed and ready for recess and help getting undressed after recess for transition back into school (particularly in the winter). Timings are as follows:

First Grade transition back into school for lunch: 11:40 - 11:55

Kindergarten transition into recess: 11:45 - 12:10

Kindergarten transition back into class: 12:30 - 12:50

If you are interested in volunteering for outdoor recess supervision the timings are as follows:

1st grade: 11:15 - 11:45

3rd grade: 12:34 - 1:05

Kindergarten: 11:50 - 12:45

4/5th grades: 12:29 - 1:06

2nd grade: 1:00 - 1:35

6th grade: 1:09 - 1:40

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## Flyers

### NEW AQUATICS OPPORTUNITIES!

The new pool at Anpetú Téča Education Center is now offering swim lessons, open swim, lap swim, and water exercise classes!

REGISTER TODAY!

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Register today: [bit.ly/RCL\\_pawstoread](http://bit.ly/RCL_pawstoread)

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