



## Seventh Grade

Dear Seventh Graders and your families:

Ready to tackle the increased challenges and responsibilities of the Seventh Grade year? We hope you had a great summer and are almost finished with your summer reading and foreign language packet. We miss you so much and can't wait to see you Tuesday morning, September 6, at the bridge.

**Parents**, the pages that follow are the school's summer registration materials. Please complete all the forms and return them to school before the start of the year.

- Student registration form (one page):** if your child is a returning student and there have been no changes since last year, please just put the child's name at the top, mark "no changes", and return
- Parent's Agreement for student to participate (two pages):** parents read carefully and sign where indicated
- Immunization form (two pages):** Families are responsible for making sure all immunizations and records are up to date.
- Middle School Outdoor Ed** letter: parents sign and return the waiver

Fax your forms to  
925-7074  
OR  
Scan/email to  
cgibson@  
aspencountryday.org  
OR  
mail to  
3 Music School Road  
Aspen 81611

Thanks!

**Tuesday, September 6** is a regular day of school, when students will receive schedules and some of their books, and meet all the teachers to prepare for the year ahead. The morning of Wednesday, September 7, students depart on Outdoor Ed at Lincoln Gulch, returning Friday afternoon by 3 pm.

### Seventh Grade teachers this year are:

English teacher: Julia Bensen  
 Social Studies: Zeke Tiernan  
 Science & Math: Audrey Sherry Gunshor, Megan Talarico, Mark Sumera or Bart Pepitone  
 Spanish: Maria Carbonetti  
 French: Anna Nedlin  
 Latin: Birgit Sutor  
 Physical Education: Cody Oates/Brett Nelson  
 Arts: Elective program (various teachers)

*(You will receive your arts elective assignment, along with your daily schedule, homework planner, and advisory assignment, when school begins)*

### NEW: Advisory Program in Middle School

This year in Middle School, there will be no scheduled homeroom period. Instead, an advisory period will be part of the formal academic schedule. Each Seventh Grader will be assigned to a small group led by an advisor. These groups will meet several times each week throughout the year. Students will hear more about this program when school begins.

**The mission of the Advisory Program:** to provide Middle School students with an understanding of self in a time of change, as well as to foster the parent/school connection. Faculty advisors support students by nurturing academic independence and collaborative skills; positive relationships with peers and adults; and sense of responsibility to the ACDS community and beyond. Students and advisors engage in developing a culture of compassion in which each child can reach his/her potential in a safe environment.

**see next page....**

**A word about on-time daily attendance:**

At Aspen Country Day School, learning happens every day, and unless a student has had a fever in the past 24 hours, we expect to see him or her each and every school day.

Learning begins at 8:10 am. That means that students need to be on campus about 8 am to have time to organize their cubbies, greet friends, gather books and pencils, and take a seat in the classroom. Students who come in at 8:10 am are already behind, and those who arrive at 8:25 am miss more than 15 minutes of important instruction. Over the course of the year, this could add up to weeks of lost academic time, with serious negative impacts on a student's progress. Middle Schoolers, this year, strive to be on time every day – it's one of the best ways to stay on top of your game.

**Middle School Supply List**

- Large three-ring binder with dividers and supply pouch
- College or wide-ruled filler paper
- One dozen ballpoint pens
- One dozen pencils
- Assortment of colored pencils
- Highlighters, several different colors
- Spanish-English or French-English dictionary
- any missing Outdoor Ed gear (see packing list)

**Middle School netbook program**

As this class experienced last year, Middle School students are issued portable, lightweight Dell netbooks for school use. They use them to organize notes, develop project research and presentations, write papers and complete other assignments. This year the students are free to take them to and from school without requesting permission, but that also means students need to be even more responsible for their own netbooks, which cannot be left outside or in the cold lockers. Families will be charged a \$125 usage fee for the academic year. If a student loses or damages the netbook, the family will be responsible for the full replacement cost of \$400. We are excited to offer the first one-to-one laptop program for Middle School students in the Valley.

The netbooks will be loaded with an operating system and all necessary programs; students will not be allowed to add any other programs to these school-owned computers. The school's current policy prohibiting personal technology (use of cell phones, texting, IM, social media, etc.) during school hours remains in effect. The use of the netbooks at school will be guided by Country Day's technology policy as described in the school's Family Handbook (available by mail, online, or at Parent Night September 14).

We ask parents to continue to work as partners with the school as we guide students to safely and responsibly navigate the always-evolving world of technology. We will discuss more details of the technology program as school gets underway.

Enjoy the rest of your summer, and give me a call or email if you have any questions.

**Carolyn Hines**  
**Advancement & Communications**  
**chines@aspencountryday.org**  
**970-925-1909 x 204**



## 2011-2012 STUDENT REGISTRATION

\* please fill in all lines and return to school before starting classes

**Student name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Preferred name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Entering grade:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Birthdate:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Parent's name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Mailing address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Email addresses:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Home phone:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Other phones:** \_\_\_\_\_  
*Please specify:* \_\_\_\_\_  
*Work, cell etc.* \_\_\_\_\_

**Which phone(s) should be called early on a snow day?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Whom should the school call if you cannot be reached in an emergency?**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Name and phone*

**Doctor:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dentist:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please list any medical conditions or allergies the school should be aware of:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Paternal grandparents:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Maternal grandparents:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**If you have a City Market Value Card and would like to designate it to support our school, please provide the card number located on the back of your card. Thank you!**

➔ **City Market Value Card #:** \_\_\_\_\_

Info above this arrow is published in the school directory. Please note any info you do NOT want published.

**Mail to** Aspen Country Day School, 3 Music School Road, Aspen, CO 81611  
**FAX to** 970-925-7074 or **SCAN and EMAIL** to info@aspencountryday.org

Student's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_



## Parents' Agreement for Student to Participate Release and Indemnification

This Agreement, Release and Indemnification ("Release") is entered into between the parents of the student, the student, and Aspen Country Day School. The purpose of the Release is to release and hold the school harmless in the event of any accident, injury, or death which might occur despite the school's efforts to provide and maintain safe outdoor programs for its students. The parents, on behalf of themselves and the student, enter into this Release in consideration for and as a condition of the school permitting the student to participate in the recreational and athletic programs offered by the school.

We, the parents, are aware that participation in any physically active program can be a dangerous activity involving risk of injury and death. We understand that, in general, such participation includes risk of neck and spinal injuries, brain damage, injury to internal organs, bones, joints, ligaments, muscles, tendons and other parts of the muscular skeletal system. We understand that these injuries may impair other aspects of a person's general health and well being including psychological or mental health. We also know that injuries may result in impairment of future abilities to earn a living, engage in business, social and recreational activities and generally to enjoy life.

We recognize and have discussed with our child the importance of following the instructions of teachers and coaches regarding techniques, training and rules.

To the extent that we or our child may have any basis for a claim against ACDS, its officers, trustees, employees, volunteers, or agents arising out of injury or death of the student, we assume the risk thereof. On our own behalf and on behalf of our child we release ACDS and its officers, trustees, employees, volunteers, or agents from any and all claims whatsoever that may hereafter arise out of our child's attendance at ACDS or participation in any ACDS-sponsored activity, and covenant not to sue on any such claim. This release expressly extends to but is not limited to claims of negligence. We agree to rely upon any medical insurance or life insurance coverage, which we or ACDS may carry, not waiving, however, any claim, which we may have against any third party (other than ACDS, its officers, trustees, employees, volunteers, or agents).

We recognize that the activities contemplated may result in injury or death to other participants or other persons as well as to our child. If any claim should be made against ACDS as a result of our child's participation in school activities, we agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless ACDS against any such claim made against it.

We represent that we have told the student which activities are permitted and which activities are not permitted. If, nevertheless, the student participates in a non-permitted activity without authorization, we agree that the covenants, release and indemnification contained herein shall extend to any injury or death which results, provided ACDS has not knowingly permitted participation contrary to this authorization. We, the undersigned parents of the student at Aspen Country Day School, agree that the student may participate in the activities checked below as "Permitted", but we do not give our permission for participation in the activities checked as "Not Permitted".

This Agreement Release and Indemnification shall be construed under the laws of the State of Colorado, and may be modified from time to time in writing but not otherwise. Venue shall be proper in Pitkin County, Colorado. If any provision, part, paragraph, sentence or term of this agreement is held to be invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining portions thereof shall nevertheless be binding upon us.



\_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent's Signature, for himself and  
 on behalf of (*child's name*) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent's Signature, for herself and  
 on behalf of (*child's name*) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date

Please  
 check  
 one  
 for  
 each  
 line

Permitted	Not permitted		Permitted	Not permitted	
_____	_____	Alpine Skiing – Recreational	_____	_____	Canoeing and Rafting
_____	_____	Snowboarding – Recreational	_____	_____	Mountain & Desert Experiences (outdoor ed)
_____	_____	Nordic Skiing - Recreational			
_____	_____	Ice Skating (ACDS Pond & Rec Center)	_____	_____	Swimming (Rec Ctr)
_____	_____	Sledding	_____	_____	Touch football
_____	_____	Bicycling	_____	_____	Soccer
_____	_____	Running	_____	_____	Softball, T-ball
_____	_____	Hiking			
_____	_____	Volleyball			

**OVER**   
 Complete all lines

**Student's name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_

**1. CONSENT, RELEASE AND WAIVER**

The undersigned consents to the following on behalf of his/her child:

"I give permission for my child to participate in all ACDS field trips and off-campus school activities. On behalf of myself and my child, I agree to release and hold harmless Aspen Country Day School from any and all liability for damages for any personal injury or property damage to or incurred by said child or others arising out of any ACDS field trips or off-campus activities, and knowingly and intentionally waive all claims against Aspen Country Day School and any employee and/or parent chaperones for any such damages (except in the event of gross negligence Aspen Country Day School or its duly authorized employees and/or parent chaperones)."

We sign below on our own behalves and on behalf of our child, \_\_\_\_\_  
**child's name**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Parent's Signature** **Date**

**both parents  
sign here**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Parent's Signature** **Date**

**2. MEDICAL TREATMENT AUTHORIZATION**

Should my child require medical care or treatment while under the supervision of any of the staff of Aspen Country Day School, I hereby request, authorize and give permission to the Headmaster or his designated representative to directly contact the following Doctor and to follow his/her instructions for treatment whether or not it is possible to contact me beforehand.

Doctor \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

If it is impossible to contact the above doctor, I authorize any available qualified physician to treat my child. I hereby knowingly and intentionally waive all claims against Aspen Country Day School, the Headmaster, his designated representative and the physician contacted for the submission of my child to such medical treatment.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Parent's signature** **Date**

**either parent  
may sign  
items 2, 3, 4**

**3. DRIVING PERMISSION**

The above student has my permission to ride with any faculty or staff member or chaperone that might be driving my child in a private or school vehicle.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Parent's signature** **Date**

**4. PHOTOGRAPHY CONSENT**

I hereby grant permission to Aspen Country Day School, its employees or representatives, to take and use photographs, video and digital images of my child for use in promotional or educational materials for the school or for partners such as educational associations. These materials might include printed or electronic publications, website or other electronic communications. I authorize the use of these images indefinitely without compensation. All negatives, positives, prints, digital reproductions, video and other content shall be the property of Aspen Country Day School.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Parent's signature** **Date**

**OVER**   
**Complete all lines**

**COLORADO LAW REQUIRES THAT THIS FORM BE COMPLETED FOR EACH STUDENT ATTENDING COLORADO SCHOOLS**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

**COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT—CERTIFICATE OF IMMUNIZATION**

Vaccine	Enter the month, day and year each immunization was given					
Hep B	Hepatitis B					
DTaP	Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (pediatric)					
DT	Diphtheria, Tetanus (pediatric)					
Tdap	Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis					
Td	Tetanus, Diphtheria					
Hib	Haemophilus influenzae type b					
IPV/OPV	Polio					
PCV	Pneumococcal Conjugate					
MMR	Measles, Mumps, Rubella					
Varicella	Chickenpox					
Vaccines recorded below this line are recommended. Recording of dates is encouraged.						
HPV	Human Papillomavirus					
Rota	Rotavirus					
MCV4/MPSV4	Meningococcal					
Hep A	Hepatitis A					
TIV/LAIV	Influenza					
Other						

Healthcare Provider Documentation Date \_\_\_\_\_ Lab Verification Date \_\_\_\_\_

**THIS SECTION CAN BE COMPLETED BY CHILD CARE/SCHOOL/HEALTH CARE PROVIDER**

- A) Child Care Up to Date**  
Up to date through 6 months of age for Colorado School Immunization Requirements  
Update Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_
- B) Child Care Up to Date**  
Up to date through 18 months of age for Colorado School Immunization Requirements  
Update Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_
- C) Child Care/Pre-school/Pre-K\***  
Up to date for Child Care/Pre-School/Pre-K for Colorado School Immunization Requirements  
Update Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_
- D) Complete for K–5th Grade**  
Up to date for K–5th Grade for Colorado School Immunization Requirements  
Update Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\* If age 4 years and fulfills Requirements for Pre-School & Kindergarten, check BOTH Boxes C and D.

**HAS MET ALL IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR COLORADO SCHOOLS (6TH GRADE OR HIGHER)**

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
(Physician, nurse, or school health authority)

**STATEMENT OF EXEMPTION TO IMMUNIZATION LAW (DECLARACIÓN RESPECTO A LAS EXENCIONES DE LA LEY DE VACUNACIÓN)**

**IN THE EVENT OF AN OUTBREAK, EXEMPTED PERSONS MAY BE SUBJECT TO EXCLUSION FROM SCHOOL AND TO QUARANTINE.**  
**SI SE PRESENTA UN BROTE DE LA ENFERMEDAD, ES POSIBLE QUE A LAS PERSONAS EXENTAS SE LES PONGA EN CUARENTENA O SE LES EXCLUYA DE LA ESCUELA.**

**MEDICAL EXEMPTION:** The physical condition of the above named person is such that immunization would endanger life or health or is medically contraindicated due to other medical conditions.

**EXENCION POR RAZONES MÉDICAS:** El estado de salud de la persona arriba citada es tal que la vacunación significa un riesgo para su salud o incluso su vida; o bien, las vacunas están contraindicadas debido a otros problemas de salud.

**Medical exemption to the following vaccine(s):**

La exención por razones médicas aplica a la(s) siguiente(s) vacuna(s):

Signed (Firma) \_\_\_\_\_ Date (Fecha) \_\_\_\_\_  
Physician (Médico) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hep B    DTaP    Tdap    Hib    IPV    PCV    MMR    VAR

**RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION:** Parent or guardian of the above named person or the person himself/herself is an adherent to a religious belief opposed to immunizations.

**EXENCION POR MOTIVOS RELIGIOSOS:** El padre o tutor de la persona arriba citada, o la persona misma, pertenece a una religión que se opone a la inmunización.

**Religious exemption to the following vaccine(s):**

Exención por motivos religiosos de la(s) siguiente(s) vacuna(s):

Signed (Firma) \_\_\_\_\_ Date (Fecha) \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent, guardian, emancipated student/consenting minor  
(Padre, tutor, estudiante emancipado o consentimiento del menor)  
 Hep B    DTaP    Tdap    Hib    IPV    PCV    MMR    VAR

**PERSONAL EXEMPTION:** Parent or guardian of the above named person or the person himself/herself is an adherent to a personal belief opposed to immunizations.

**EXENCION POR CREENCIAS PERSONALES:** Las creencias personales del padre o tutor de la persona arriba citada, o la persona misma, se oponen a la inmunización.

**Personal exemption to the following vaccine(s):**

Exención por creencias personales de la(s) siguiente(s) vacuna(s):

Signed (Firma) \_\_\_\_\_ Date (Fecha) \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent, guardian, emancipated student/consenting minor  
(Padre, tutor, estudiante emancipado o consentimiento del menor)  
 Hep B    DTaP    Tdap    Hib    IPV    PCV    MMR    VAR





*Please sign and  
return the  
attached waiver*

## **MIDDLE SCHOOL OUTDOOR EDUCATION TRIP Wednesday, September 7 to Friday, September 9**

The Middle School year begins with one day of classes followed by an outdoor education trip for Sixth, Seventh & Eighth Graders. The three grades will be camping together at Lincoln Gulch Campground on Independence Pass and participating in a variety of activities with their classmates, including rock climbing, camp skills, orienteering, rope activities and an outdoor community service project.

This trip, along with the entire Outdoor Education curriculum, emphasizes the importance and value of good character. Students engage in meaningful discussion and activities about character, respect, responsibility and community: traits they bring back from the trip to enrich their lives at school and at home. As well as the technical skills they learn during daytime activities, the Middle School students will explore issues of communication, self-esteem and conflict resolution in nightly “rap sessions” around the campfire. We end the trip with a community service project, planting trees with the Independence Pass Foundation.

The cost of the trip will be \$140 per student, which will be billed to student accounts. Students must bring their own lunches for the three days. These lunches should be nutritious, non-refrigerated items. There will be no way to keep these lunches cool, and all lunches should be packed in one small stuff sack to be stored away from sleeping areas at night. All the equipment and clothing listed on the attached list should be packed in one backpack or duffel (no rolling suitcases.)

Outdoor Education is an integral part of our school curriculum, and all students are expected to participate. There is no provision for a child to remain on campus while the class is away. Starting in Middle School, each trip is graded on a pass/fail basis, and failure to participate will be reflected on a student’s report card and transcript. Program Director Bill Huffman leads this trip along with school administrators and Middle School teachers. If you have any questions, please phone the school anytime at 925-1909, ext. 204.

### **ITINERARY**

#### **Wednesday, September 7**

8:15 am	Students arrive at school
8:30 am	Depart for Independence Pass
9-11 am	Set up camp, Lincoln Gulch Campground
11-11:45 am	Instruction
11:45 am-12:30 pm	Lunch
1-5 pm	Group activities
7-9 pm	“Rap session”
10 pm	Curfew

#### **Thursday, September 8**

7:30 am	Breakfast
8:30 am-12:30 pm	Group activities
1-1:30 pm	Lunch
1:30-5:30 pm	Group activities
6:30-7:30 pm	Dinner
7:30-9 pm	“Rap session”
10 pm	Curfew

#### **Friday, September 9**

8 am	Breakfast
9 am	Break camp
10:30 am-2:15 pm	Community service: tree planting
3 pm	Arrive back at school

**OUTDOOR EDUCATION TRIP  
SIXTH, SEVENTH, EIGHTH GRADES  
LINCOLN GULCH  
PACKING LIST**

**Personal Equipment**

- Hiking boots
- Climbing shoes or tennis shoes
- Sleeping bag with pad and waterproof stuff sack (should be placed in a heavy-duty, 3 ml. trash bag)
- 1 lightweight day pack
- 1 **wide-mouth** plastic water bottle (1 qt.)
- sunscreen
- chapstick
- toothbrush with small toothpaste
- small towel
- lightweight flashlight
- camera (optional)
- climbing helmet or skateboarding helmet if available
- comb or brush
- sunglasses
- plastic cup, bowl, spoon & fork

**Personal clothing**

- 1 wool (50%) or polypro long-sleeve undershirt
- 1 cotton turtleneck or t shirt
- 1 hiking shorts
- 1 heavy-duty 3 ml. trash bag to keep clothes dry
- 1 pair of pants
- 2 underwear
- 1 handkerchief
- 1 heavy wool jacket or ski jacket
- 1 visor, crushable hat or baseball cap
- 1 pr. lightweight gloves
- 1 wool hat
- 1 bathing suit
- 1 rain suit (or poncho and rain pants)
- 2 heavy wool rag socks
- 1 heavy wool sweater or shirt
- 1 long underwear

**Lunches**

- for three days, non-refrigerated, lightweight, in a stuff sack (see letter)

***Everything should be packed in one backpack or duffel (no rolling suitcases, please)***

Child's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

## HIKING RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS, EXPRESS ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

**Please read and be certain you understand the implications of signing.**

### **Express Assumption of Risk Associated with Hiking and Related Activities.**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ do hereby affirm and acknowledge that I have been fully informed of the inherent hazards and risks associated with  
(Please Print Parent's Full Name)

hiking, transportation of equipment related to the activities, and traveling to and from activity sites of which I am about to engage in.

### **Inherent hazards and risks include but are not limited to:**

1. Risk of injury from the activity and equipment utilized is significant including the potential for permanent disability and death.
2. Falling, causing broken bones severe injuries to the head, neck and back which may result in severe impairment or even death.
3. An "act of nature," including but not limited to avalanche, rock fall, inclement weather, thunder and lightning, severe and/or varied wind, temperature and other weather conditions.
4. Risks associated with crossing, climbing or down-climbing of rock, snow and/or ice.
5. Risks associated with river crossings, fordings, or portaging.
6. Possible equipment failure and/or malfunction of my own or others' equipment which may have been rented, borrowed, or personally owned.
7. My own negligence and/or the negligence of others, including employees, agents, independent contractors or representatives of Aspen Country Day School, including but not limited to operator failure.
8. Cold weather and heat related injuries and illness including but not limited to frostnip, frost bite, heat exhaustion, heat stroke, sunburn, hypothermia and dehydration.
9. Attack by or encounter with insects, reptiles, and/or animals.
10. Accidents or illness occurring in remote places where there are no available medical facilities.
11. Fatigue chill, and/or dizziness, which may diminish my/our reaction time and increase the risk of accident.
12. My sense of balance, physical coordination, and ability to follow instructions.

**\*I understand the description of these risks is not complete and that unknown or unanticipated risks may result in injury, illness, or death.**

### **Release of Liability, Waiver of Claims and Indemnity Agreement**

In consideration for being permitted to participate in any way in Hiking and related activities, I hereby agree, acknowledge and appreciate that:

1. **I HEREBY RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL INJURY, DISABILITY, DEATH, or loss or damage to person or property, WHETHER CAUSED BY NEGLIGENCE OR OTHERWISE,** the following named persons or entities, herein referred to as releasees:  
Aspen Country Day School
2. To release the releasees, their officers, directors, employees, representatives, agents, and volunteers, and vessels from liability and responsibility whatsoever and for any claims or causes of action that I, my estate, heirs, survivors, executors, or assigns may have for personal injury, property damage, or wrongful death arising from the above activities whether caused by active or passive negligence of the releasees or otherwise. By executing this document, I agree to hold releases harmless and indemnify them in conjunction with any injury, disability, death, or loss or damage to person or property that may occur as a result of engaging in the above activities.
3. By entering into this Agreement, I am not relying on any oral or written representation or statements made by releasees, other than what is set forth in this Agreement.

This release shall be binding to the fullest extent permitted by law. If any provision of this release is found to be unenforceable, the remaining terms shall be enforceable.

**I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT, AND I FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, AND UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP LEGAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND I SIGN IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.**

This is to certify that I, as Parent, Guardian, Temporary Guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree not only to his/her release of all Releasees, but also to release and indemnify the Releasees from any and all liabilities incident to his/her involvement in these programs for myself, my heirs, assigns, and next of kin.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or adult legal Guardian if Participant is a Minor, and by their signature, they on my behalf release all claims that both they and I have

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Parent or adult legal Guardian (Please Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Minor's Full Name



# Aspen Country Day School

# 2011-2012 Calendar

School hours 8:10 am - 3:05 pm

	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>					1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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<b>OCTOBER</b>							1
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<b>NOVEMBER</b>			1	2	3	4	5
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<b>DECEMBER</b>					1	2	3
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<b>JANUARY</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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<b>FEBRUARY</b>			1	2	3	4	5
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<b>MARCH</b>				1	2	3	4
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<b>APRIL</b>							1
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<b>MAY</b>			1	2	3	4	5
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27	28	29	30	31			

Sept 6	First day of school
Sept 6 & 7	1/2 day for both PreK classes & K, pickup at 11:30
Sept 7, 8, 9	Outdoor Ed for Middle School (Sixth, Seventh, Eighth Grades)
Sept 14	Parent Night 5-7 pm
Sept 15 & 16	Second Grade Outdoor Ed trip to Blue Mountain
Sept 22 & 23	Third Grade Outdoor Ed trip, Independence Pass
Sept 24-29	Eighth Grade Washington DC Trip
Sept 29-30	Kindergarten Outdoor Ed trip, Lindley Hut
Oct 4	Blue Green Games (afternoon)
Oct 5 & 6	First Grade Outdoor Ed: Chapman Lake
Oct 7	Fall break, no school
Oct 12-14	Fifth Grade Outdoor Ed: mountain bike Fruita
Oct 19-21	Fourth Grade Outdoor Ed: mountain bike Fruita
Oct 31	Halloween parade
Nov 1	Parent - Teacher Conferences 8 am- 4 pm, no classes
Nov 6	Daylight Savings Time ends
Nov 23, 24, 25	Thanksgiving Holiday - school closed
Dec 16	Holiday Sing - Hotel Jerome/dismissal after the concert
Dec 17-Jan 1	Winter Break - no school
Jan 2	Classes resume
Jan 11	Blue / Green Winter Games
January 16	MLK Day, school in session
Jan 20, 27	Ski Days, Sixth-Eighth Grade, afternoons
Jan 24-27	Seventh Grade Outdoor Ed, Froelicher hut
Feb 3, 10, 17, 24	Ski Days, Sixth - Eighth Grade, afternoons
Feb 8, 15, 22, 29	Ski Days, Kindergarten & First Grades, afternoons
Feb 9, 16, 23	Ski Days, Second - Fourth Grades, afternoons
Feb 10, 17, 24	Ski Days, Fifth Grade
February 20	President's Day, no school
Feb 15-17	Fourth Grade Outdoor Ed, Shrine Mtn/Jay's Cabin
Mar 1, 8	Ski Days, Second - Fourth Grades, afternoons
Mar 2, 9	Ski Days, Fifth - Eighth Grade, afternoons
Mar 7-9	Fifth Grade Outdoor Ed, Vance's Cabin
Mar 11	Daylight Savings Time starts
Mar 12	Parent - Teacher Conferences 8 am - 4 pm, no classes
March 16	All-School Ski Afternoon
March 19-30	Spring Break - no school
April 2	Classes resume
April 4-6	Third Grade Outdoor Ed Trip: Moab
April 11-13	Second Grade Outdoor Ed Trip: Arches
April 18-20	First Grade Outdoor Ed Trip: Arches
April 23-27	Play week
April 27 & 28	All-School Play, Wheeler Opera House
April 30-May 4	Sixth Grade Outdoor Ed Trip: Western Colorado
May 9	Blue Green Games
May 10 & 11	Kindergarten Outdoor Ed/Colorado Natl Monument
May 7-14	Move-Up Coffees for parents
May 16-23	Eighth Outdoor Ed trip to Green River
May 24	Activities Day (Regatta, slide show, cookout)
May 25	Graduation - 9: 30 am, last day for students
May 29-31	Teacher meetings & campus move-out

<b>Ski Days PreK</b>	Wednesday mornings mid-winter dates TBD
<b>Ski Days K &amp; First</b>	Feb 8 Feb 15 Feb 22 Feb 29 Mar 16 All
<b>Ski Days Second-Fourth</b>	Feb 9 Feb 16 Feb 23 Mar 1 Mar 8 Mar 16 All
<b>Ski Days Fifth</b>	Feb 10 Feb 17 Feb 24 Mar 2 Mar 9 Mar 16 All
<b>Ski Days Sixth-Eighth</b>	Jan 20 Jan 27 Feb 3 Feb 10 Feb 17 Feb 24 Mar 2 Mar 9 Mar 16 All

NOTE: Shaded dates are days school is in session.  
Subject to change. Updates at [www.aspencountryday.org](http://www.aspencountryday.org)

This calendar updated: 6/14/2011



## From the business office

Summer 2011

Dear Parents:

We hope you are enjoying the summer and your children are ensconced in productive and leisurely pursuits. As you know, Aspen Country Day School is a private, not-for-profit educational institution and depends on timely and prompt payment of tuition and expenses.

1. A reminder to all parents that tuition was due July 1. Please contact me if you wish to discuss a payment plan.
2. All charges are due and payable on receipt. If an amount owed to the school becomes delinquent beyond thirty (30) days from the due date, a simple interest rate of 1.0% per month on the unpaid balance will be added to the account. Balances delinquent beyond sixty (60) days constitute sufficient reason to not allow the student to attend classes until the account is paid or financial arrangements are made with the Business Office.
3. Charges for additional services such as books, bus, outdoor education, student field trips, etc., will be billed as costs are incurred and are due payable upon receipt of the statement. Any balances that become thirty days past due are subject to a 1% monthly finance charge. Please review the outline below.
4. The business office is willing to charge all monthly statements to a credit card on file. At the end of each month, the card is charged for the amount due and a receipt is emailed to you. To set up this arrangement, complete the form that will arrive with your first monthly statement in October, or contact the business office at your convenience.

### Estimated additional school expenses

#### Kindergarten-Fifth Grade

Textbooks & supplies: \$120-200  
Outdoor Education: \$50-150 / trip (x2)  
Ski Days program: \$35 activity fee  
All-School Play: \$30 production fee  
Third Grade, Leadville overnight: \$85-95

#### Sixth-Eighth Grade

Textbooks & supplies: \$250-350  
Outdoor Education: \$150-350 / trip (x2)  
Ski Days program: \$35 activity fee  
All-School Play: \$30 production fee  
Netbook usage fee: \$125  
Eighth Grade week-long fall trip to Washington, DC: \$1,100-\$1,200

#### Lunch

complete Middle School hot lunch \$6.50, Lower School \$5.50  
More detail and "a la carte" price list are at [aspencountryday.org/lunch](http://aspencountryday.org/lunch)

#### Transportation

All bus routes are \$150 per month, or \$75 per month to ride one-way daily.  
Children may also choose to ride any school bus on an occasional basis at \$5 per ride.

I hope this information is helpful as you plan for the school year. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Scott Hicks, Business Manager  
970-925-1909 x 201



# bus signup for fall 2011

**Country Day operates three bus routes** for the convenience of children and parents. Students also ride school buses on field trips and excursions, and for Outdoor Education trips. The daily schedule and list of bus stops is set each year. Please help us plan by signing up here for bus service. Seats are limited, especially on the downvalley bus, so sign up soon!

**who is riding? (names, grades)** \_\_\_\_\_

**what route?**

- Aspen in-town (east to west)
- Cemetery Lane/Aspen Highlands
- downvalley (Carbondale & points between, including Brush Creek intercept lot & ABC)

**what days?**

circle:            daily    M    T    W    Th    F

**times?**

circle:            both ways    mornings only            afternoons only

**for Aspen in-town or Cemetery/Highlands, provide your address** \_\_\_\_\_

**for the downvalley bus route, please check the bus stop you prefer**

- Carbondale (Sopris Shopping Center)
- Catherine Store
- El Jebel Center (at Short Stop)
- Willits (at Smokes)
- Basalt (am stop is at Cody Lane Park & Ride; pm stop is at 7-Eleven)
- Old Snowmass (RFTA Park & Ride)
- Brush Creek (intercept lot, Snowmass Village riders meet the bus here)
- Airport Business Center

All bus routes are \$150 per month, or \$75 per month to ride one-way daily. There is a discount for siblings. Children may also choose to ride any school bus on an occasional basis at \$5 per ride. Charges are billed home on monthly statements. Bus service, if required, is included in PreKindergarten tuition. Students must be three years old and potty-trained to ride any of the regular bus routes.

**Notes for bus riders and parents**

- **If you have a change in your child's schedule during the day, notify the office by 2:30 to give us time to notify the child and bus driver.** DO NOT leave a message on the voicemail; press 203 to reach office manager Caterina Gibson and make sure you speak with a live person to take a message for the bus driver.
- The AM times on the schedule are the time the bus will leave the bus stop. Please be at the bus stop a few minutes prior to that time. Be on time to pick up your child at the bus stop in the afternoon. Other children are waiting to get home and we cannot leave small children at a stop without adult supervision.
- PreK, Kindergarten and First Grade students on bus routes should have a luggage tag attached to their backpacks with their name, home address (physical) and home phone and/or cell number.

**Questions? Call 925-1909 x 203**

**RETURN ASAP!**

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