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A Month of aMAYzing Memories





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Messages From Our Leaders

Albert Samora



The countdown has begun! We are now 5 1/2 weeks away from summer. Everything is turning green and meaningful snow has ended for the year (fingers crossed). A couple things as we wrap up the school year...

Summer bid will take place May 16th and 17th. If you have questions please talk to your supervisor. Keep a look out for the next school year information memo. It will contain information about the August bid.

This is our last newsletter for the school year and I want to again let you know that I have great admiration and appreciation for everything you all do for our students. Never forget that you are the safety line for our students getting to class whether it is driving, training, repairing a bus... It is within your power to spread compassion and positivity to your students and co-workers, and you are the eyes on the road/facility to report any concerns that could impact a student or co-worker. Thank you again.

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Renee Dupriest



We are at the end of another year, and what a year it has been! We have had a ton of fun, and we have done so much wonderful work for our students!

We will be having another painting party just before Mother's Day and we hope you will join us. See Lisa or me to sign up.

Please make sure to join us for the end of the year BBQ on May 31st. As this year winds down, please be sure to take some time to recharge and relax before we do it all again in August!

Please be watching your district email for information regarding bidding in the fall.

Thank you for all you do, and have a great summer!



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Jason Sanchez



I would like to announce that Clay Rice is planning to retire at the end of May! Clay has worked for the district for 40 years. Clay has taught the operation of the Tow Truck and will be missed. "SPORT" I hope you enjoy your retirement - DPS Fleet team.

A few new things from the Fleet... There is a new DC fast charger installed at NET for the EV buses. We soon should be receiving new Balarat buses! They are being built as I type this news blurb.

Fleet will have some new team members starting soon so be on the look out and introduce your self to welcome them.

Thank you and enjoy the nice Spring/Summer weather.
Your DPS Fleet Team

Lonnie Rodriguez



Well... here we are! The last complete month of the 2023-24 school year. I know you all are ready for the summer break and the end of the

regular school year. However, please don't let your guard down, remain safe, and continue to get our students where they need to go. Also, I would like to remind everyone that you should have received info in your emails concerning bid, dates, times etc....

The Terminals will be setting up laptops for those of you who need help viewing and placing your bid. I would like to encourage everyone to please use the app to place your bid. Also, the lower you are in seniority, the more I would encourage you to place multiple choices. If none of your choices are available, the Union will contact you via phone. Make sure the Terminal has your correct phone number.

Once again, please make multiple choices in the order of first choice to last; you will be given the first available route in your cart starting from top to bottom. Shortly after the bid, the End of School Year Letter will go out with information about August bid and in-service dates and times, so be looking out for that.

With that, thank you all, Drivers and Para's for another great school year.



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Tyler Maybee



Hello Transportation,

I want to thank all the drivers that signed up to support the Shakespeare Festival. It was a wonderful event that students were ecstatic to have the chance to attend because of our support.

It was my first year attending the drop-off and pick-up, and I was extremely impressed by every driver arriving and unloading in a professional and timely manner. These events are a great way to continue to showcase the hard work we do as a department, and how incredible we are to work alongside.

We have several big events coming up and I look forward to our continued successes!

Kim Gotori



Wow! It is finally here... the countdown till the end of the year. Can you believe it? It has flown by. It seems like yesterday it was Christmas Break! As we get closer, we all need to make sure we stay focused on the task at hand. Our students are getting excited for Summer Break also! We, as adults, need to make sure we are taking a deep breath and always staying calm and professional.

Summer bid is also coming up. Please make sure you have chosen a few options, just in case someone with more seniority chooses the route you wanted.

I want to thank each and every one of you for what you do! It takes special people to do the job you all do, and I hope you know how much we appreciate you! Some of you I will see all summer, but for those of you that are fortunate enough to take the summer off, we will miss you! We look forward to seeing each and every one of your smiling faces in the Fall!



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Andrew McCambridge



Here it is the last full month of our school year...WOW...I feel like this year has flown by me. The whole training team should be very proud of the accomplishments that we have completed. We are completely staffed with 7 very qualified Staff Trainers - Venita Jackson / Nancy Andrews / Parris Casados / Rafael Moreno / Anna Flores / David Benson / Funmilayo Williams.

We currently have a total of 3 third party state testers - Venita / Rafael / David. The hard work from this team has brought our compliance from 0% to a current compliance of 88%. In the month of May we will hit our goal of 90% compliance before the end of this school year. We also have certified and recertified literally hundreds of our school staffers to be properly trained with MFSAB. Of course none of this would have been possible without the cooperation from the HT team, the NE team, the Fleet team, Routing team, and Dispatch. I would also like to thank Lorena Cardona for her constant efforts with keeping our team focused on compliance. Thank you ALL for your assistance towards our team goals.

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Happy Retirement Clay Rice!



Clay was a maintenance tech and tow truck driver for DPS Transportation. Clay worked with DPS Transportation for 40 years !

He will be greatly missed. Enjoy your retirement SPORT!

Congrats!



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Shout Out! You're Amazing

Hi DPS Transportation,

I just wanted to express my gratitude again for all the help I got this past month getting certified for the MFSABs and renting a bus from the district. Rafael, Anna, and all the other folks at DPS

Transportation were extremely helpful, supportive, and friendly. It had been a while since I had handled an overnight trip and was feeling pretty anxious about the process- the people I worked with in your department helped assuage a lot of that nervousness, and helped to make sure that the trip was able to happen. Students from our school ended up bringing home a bronze, a silver, and THREE gold medals from the SkillsUSA state conference!

With Gratitude,

Dr. Jen Moriarty

**You are doing
★ GREAT! ★**



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What's happening in May?

Jewish American Heritage Month

Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month

May 1st - 7th: National Physical Education and Sports Week

May 5th: Cinco De Mayo

May 12th: Mother's Day

May 27th: Memorial Day

May 28th: Armed Forces Day



MAY 12, 2024

Mother's Day Tea at Halcyon

Join us for an unforgettable Mother's Day Tea in the Arbor Room at Halcyon, a Hotel in Cherry Creek, on May 12. Enjoy a curated menu of savory and sweet items crafted by our culinary team.



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MONDAY AT 11 AM - 10 PM
inco De Rino Block Party
63 Larimer St, Denver, CO, United States, Colorado 80205





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Word Search

DIRECTIONS:
Find and circle the
vocabulary words
in the grid. Look
for them in all
directions including
backwards and
diagonally.

- BASEBALL
- BLOSSOM
- BUMBLEBEE
- BUTTERFLY
- CINCO DE MAYO
- FLOWERS



MERRY MONTH OF May Word Search

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| GEMINI | PIÑATA |
| GREEN | PLANT |
| LADYBUG | SEEDS |
| LAWN MOWER | SPRING |
| MAYPOLE | SUNSHINE |
| MEMORIAL DAY | TAURUS |
| MOM | TEACHER |



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E-Bus Shopping

DPS Employees went on a ride-along to check out a new electric bus from Lion Electric. Lion Electric is based out of Canada and hoping to come to CO!





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Hilltop Painting and Ice Cream Floats





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Hilltop April BBQ





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NET's Bus Driver Appreciation Day





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NET's Spirit Week and Earth Day





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Pinata Time at NET!

