

Important information for all those aboard the Viking Ship!

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Enjoy  
**SPRING BREAK**  
No School - March 16-20, 2009  
Return to Classes for 4th Quarter - Monday, March 23, 2009



## CSAP Tests at Lesher

When we return from Spring Break we will begin the final quarter of our school year, which brings us to CSAP testing for 2008-2009. Below are the test dates and times for your students, and some general information and testing tips. If you have any questions or concerns please call Mr. Dodd or Ms. Martinez at 472-3800.

### Testing Dates:

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|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| • Science CSAP (for 7th & 8th ONLY) ★         | March 23th - March 25th | 7:45 - 9:15 AM  |
| • Reading, Writing and Math CSAP (ALL grades) | March 30th - April 3rd  | 7:45 - 10:23 AM |

### General Information

- Attendance is important during these days.
- Please be on time as a small breakfast snack will be provided for your child before the test.
- Please do not schedule appointments during testing times.
- ★ REMINDER: 9th graders come to school LATE (9:15 AM) during Science testing for 7th & 8th graders.

### Testing Tips

- Get a good night's rest!!!
- Eat breakfast ~ Fuel your body
- Read and pay careful attention to all directions.
- Read every possible answer ~ the best one could be last.
- Read and respond to items one at a time rather than thinking about the whole test.
- Reread, when necessary, the parts of a passage needed for selecting the correct answer.
- Don't make uneducated guesses. Try to get the correct answer by reasoning and eliminating wrong answers.
- Decide exactly what the question is asking; one response is clearly best.
- Don't spend too much time on any one question.
- Skip difficult questions until all other questions have been answered the go back and try the problem.
- **DO NOT leave any question unanswered.**
  - Make sure to record the answer in the correct place.
  - Only change an answer if you are sure the first one you picked was wrong. Be sure to completely erase changed answers.
  - Keep track of time.
  - After completion of the test, use any remaining time to check your answers.
- Keep a good attitude.

Think positively!



# Secondary Summer School 2009

Secondary Summer School offers students a chance to take 1st-semester, 2nd-semester and year-long courses (including Physical Education for High School students). In addition, Independent Study and Virtual High School courses are available with counselor approval.



Secondary Summer School will be held June 8 – July 2 at:

- Fossil Ridge High School, 5400 Ziegler Road
- Poudre Transition Center (Independent Study and Virtual High School only), 220 N. Grant Ave.

Times:

- Year-long Classes: 8:00 am - 3:50 pm
- 1st-Semester Classes: 8:00 am - 11:40 am
- 2nd-Semester Classes: 12:10 pm - 3:50 pm

Copies of the 2009 Secondary Summer School catalog are available in the Leshar Counseling Office or may be printed from the PSD Web site at [www.psdschools.org](http://www.psdschools.org). Please be sure to register as soon as possible.

## Transition Day to Start 2009-2010 School Year

On February 24, the PSD Board of Education adopted the calendar for the 2009-10 school year, which includes a transition day to welcome students to new schools. With approximately 25% of PSD students moving to a new school next fall, the school year will start with a transition day to welcome students to their new school. On August 17, ONLY students entering 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grades at Middle Schools, and 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> graders entering High Schools will attend their new schools to get acquainted with teachers, schedules, and the facility.

**NOTE:** Schedules for August 17 may vary by school, so parents are encouraged to refer to their child's school newsletter or website for specific schedules for students and activities that day. 8<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students will begin school on August 18, and classes will begin for elementary students on August 19.

## Volunteers Needed

We are looking for volunteers for Leshar's  
**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Career Exploration Day**  
**May 11, 2009 ~ 8-11 AM**

After surveying our students we have come up with the following list of career categories we are hoping to have represented:

Art, Business, Construction, Culinary, Education, Engineering, Entertainment, Law, Medical, Military, Public Service, Science and Technology.

If you or someone you know would be willing to come in and present to our 8<sup>th</sup> graders please contact:

Wylie Cate at 472-3851 [wcate@psdschools.org](mailto:wcate@psdschools.org)  
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by March 30, 2009.

We look forward to hearing from you!

## Mark Your Calendars



### MARCH

- 13 End of 3rd Quarter
- 16-20 SPRING BREAK ~ NO SCHOOL
- 23 PTO Meeting - 1 PM
- 23 SIT Team Meeting - 3 PM
- 25-27 Science CSAP Testing
- 27 3rd Quarter Pep Assembly
- 27 Report Cards sent home
- 30-31 Reading & Math CSAP Testing

### APRIL

- 1-3 Reading & Math CSAP Testing
- 17 NO SCHOOL - Teacher Comp Day
- 20 NO SCHOOL – K-9 Collaboration Day
- 23-25 Bye, Bye Birdie – Leshar Musical
- 24 Incoming 6th Graders Visit Leshar
- 27 PTO Meeting - 1 PM
- 28 District Honor Choir

**STAY INFORMED!! ALWAYS check the Leshar website for the most up-to-date information regarding events and happenings at Leshar IB World School.**  
<http://www.psdschools.org/schools/lesher/>