

# Aurora Academy Charter School

Falcon Flash

April 15th, 2024

**ATTENDANCE**

**UPDATE**

At this time we have reached an average of 94.09% of students in attendance. Our goal is 95%. Please help us reach our goal by coming to school every day for April and May.



State Testing (CMAS)

April 8th-25th

CMAS (Colorado Measures of Academic Success) is a state standardized test that all 3rd-8th grade students take during the month of April. Students are testing in the academic areas of math and English language arts. Fifth and 8th grades are also tested in the area of science.

Please ensure if you have a 3rd-8th grade student that they are at school each day during the testing window, and are on time and well rested.

Testing will take place on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays first thing in the morning. Please do not schedule doctor appointments during this time. If a student is pulled from a testing session for an early out, this will invalidate his/her entire test.

We thank you for your support and encouragement of your student(s) as they prepare to take this test showing all they have learned this year.

<b>CMAS - Colorado Measure of Academic Success</b>				
<b>April 2024</b>				
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>
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	<b>Math 3rd-8th 8:15-10:00</b>	<b>Math 3rd-8th 8:15-10:00</b>	<b>Math 3rd-8th 8:15-10:00</b>	
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>Science 5th &amp; 8th 8:15-10:15</b>	<b>Science 5th &amp; 8th 8:15-10:15</b>	<b>Science 5th &amp; 8th 8:15-10:15</b>		<b>NO SCHOOL</b>

### **PTO Meeting Tomorrow!**

Tuesday, April 16th, is the next PTO meeting at 4pm in the cafeteria. All AACs families are welcome, if you have questions about the PTO please contact Tonoa Manual at [tmanual@auroraacademycharter.com](mailto:tmanual@auroraacademycharter.com).





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## Sibling Priority

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AACS Families,

Our enrollment process is open for the 2024-2025 school year. If you have a sibling of an AACS student that you would like to attend our school next year please fill out this form:

<https://forms.gle/vzzMxwm43zs8yB7EA>

## 2024-2025 Enrollment is Open!

Do you have friends or family interested in our school? Please have them visit our Enrollment Page on our website for the Enrollment Application.

**Click on the Falcon to go to our Enrollment Page.**



## Intent to Withdraw

In order to ensure we have an accurate count for the 2024-2025 school year we ask that you fill out the attached form only if you do NOT plan on your child returning to Aurora Academy next year.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Fill out this form ONLY if your student will NOT be returning to Aurora Academy for the 2024-2025 school year.

Para garantizar que tengamos un recuento preciso para el año escolar 2023-2024, le pedimos que complete el formulario adjunto solo si NO planea que su hijo regrese a Aurora Academy el próximo año. Los espacios disponibles se llenarán con nuestra lotería. Gracias por su pronta atención, a este asunto. Complete este formulario SOLO SI SU ESTUDIANTE NO VOLVERÁ a Aurora Academy para el año escolar 2024-2025.

Form: <https://forms.gle/CVmrT5m63t5ubom9>

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## Sports Corner

### Soccer Game(s):

Tuesday, April 16th at Aurora Central

Thursday, April 18th at Rocky Mountain Prep Noel

Girls: 4:30pm

Boys: 5:30pm



## Boys Volleyball Game:

Wednesday, April 17th at 5:00pm @ Denver Language School

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## Upcoming Events

### 4th Quarter Progress Reports

Monday, April 15th 4th quarter Progress grades will be posted to the parent portal. If you have a questions about your students grade please contact their teacher.



### No School

Friday, April 26th there is no school.

AACS will be closed.



## Middle School Jam

Fee: \$5.00

Time: 6-8 PM

Date: Friday, May 10

Grades: 5th-8th

Where: Gym, Cafeteria, Playground

**Dress of Choice**

(you need to follow dress of choice rules!)

Come and...

eat a walking taco, play games, dance, enjoy  
some music, hang with your friends

8th grade fundraiser

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**Lost & Found Clean Up:**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0C4FA8AF2DABF85-44646194-lost>



**Lunch/Recess Help:**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0C4FA8AF2DABF85-48690438-lunchrecess>

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## FOTA District Art Show

These amazing students are in the FOTA District Art Show currently displaying in Aurora Town Center (Mall) through 4/21/24. Our school's display panels are on the Lower Level in front of the Field House. Please help me congratulate these Art Star participants!

**8th grade:** Brianna, Ava, Sekou, Andrea, Brenda, Keirsten, Jonathan, Clark, Eugene & Lemar

**7th grade:** *Makayla - Best of Show*, Rinad, Paisley, Sophie & Drace

**6th grade:** Isaiah, Micah, Emory, Sofia, Kelsie, Alondra, Khalid, Naomi & Viviana

**5th grade:** Micah, Julia, Liam, *Nathan K. 2nd place winner*, Naomi, Audrey, Joseph, Milana, *Connor Honorable Mention*, & Steven W.

**4th grade:** Evan, Camila, Yazlin, & Alessandra

**3rd grade:** Ana, Ariyana, *Mackenzie 1st place winner*, Edel, Eliana, Calli, Fernanda, Brielle, & Keribul

**2nd grade:** Aheda, Yusra, Claire, Merida, Ryliegh, Blen, Milavon, Romona, Rhianna & Mollie

**1st grade:** Delina, Alondra, Kinley, Saphira, Caanan, & Nahilet

**Kindergarten:** Furtuna, Henley, Berekit, *Miziya 3rd place winner*, Jeffrey, Ariel & Evan



## Coin Wars!

We are thrilled to share that our recent Coin Wars fundraiser, hosted by the National Junior Honor Society (NJHS), was a resounding success! Thanks to the generous contributions of our community, we raised over \$1,400. All proceeds have been donated to Colorado Make-A-Wish, directly supporting their mission to grant the heartfelt wishes of children facing critical illnesses. Through your kindness and participation, we have helped make a child's dream come true.

Thank you for your support and for bringing hope and joy to those who need it most.



## Honors Band Field Trip

On Tuesday, April 2nd Students from Aurora Academy traveled to Vista Peak Preparatory High School for Aurora Public School's Middle School Honor Band. Our musicians prepared their music independently and joined other top APS instrumentalists to rehearse and perform under the direction of Tammy Ahmed, renowned Colorado band director.



## Skate City Night

On Tuesday, April 2nd AACCS hosted a Skate City Night. Thank you for the all the families and staff that joined us. We raised money and got to enjoy each others company!



## 2024 Eclipse!

On Monday, April 8th our teachers provided their students with eclipse glasses and got to experience this rare event. Teachers, students and staff used different viewing devices and our staff showed pictures taken from their family and friends!



## Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, May 6th, 2024

6:00 pm

AACS Library



*You can find the Board Agenda and Minutes on our website:*

[AACS Board Agenda & Minutes](#)

# AACS 2024-2025 School Calendar

**August 5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>:**  
Teacher Professional Development (No Students)

**August 12<sup>th</sup>:**  
First Day of School  
1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade

**August 14<sup>th</sup>:**  
First Day of School  
Kindergarten

**September 2<sup>nd</sup>:**  
No School Labor Day

**September 3<sup>rd</sup>:**  
Professional Development (No Students)

**October 10<sup>th</sup>:**  
End of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter

**October 11<sup>th</sup>:**  
Teacher Workday (No Students)

**October 14<sup>th</sup> – October 18<sup>th</sup>:**  
No School Fall Break

**October 22<sup>nd</sup> & October 24<sup>th</sup>:**  
Parent-Teacher Conferences

**October 25<sup>th</sup>:**  
No School (AACS Closed)

**November 1<sup>st</sup>:**  
Professional Workday (No Students)

**November 25<sup>th</sup> – November 29<sup>th</sup>:**  
No School Thanksgiving Break

**December 19<sup>th</sup>:**  
End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter

**December 20<sup>th</sup>:**  
Teacher Workday (No Students)

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Teacher Workday (No Students) –	End of Quarter -
No School/Break (AACS Closed) –	School Event -
No School Holiday/Comp Day (AACS Closed) –	
Half Day (Students Dismissed at 12pm) -	

If for any reason the school district must close schools for more days than allowed, this adopted 2024-2025 calendar will be amended by the AACS Board of Directors to provide school days.

**December 23<sup>rd</sup> – January 7<sup>th</sup>:**  
No School Winter Break

**January 20<sup>th</sup>:**  
No School Martin Luther King Day

**January 31<sup>st</sup>:**  
Professional Workday (No Students)

**February 11<sup>th</sup> & February 13<sup>th</sup>:**  
Parent Teacher Conferences

**February 14<sup>th</sup>:**  
No School (AACS Closed)

**February 17<sup>th</sup>:**  
No School Presidents Day

**March 6<sup>th</sup>:**  
End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter

**March 7<sup>th</sup>:**  
Teacher Workday (No Students)

**March 10<sup>th</sup> - March 14<sup>th</sup>:**  
No School Spring Break

**April 25<sup>th</sup>:**  
No School (AACS Closed)

**May 21<sup>st</sup>:**  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation

**May 22<sup>nd</sup>:**  
Kindergarten Graduation

**May 23<sup>rd</sup>:**  
Falcon Fest

**May 23<sup>rd</sup>:**  
End of the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter/Last Day of School

**May 23<sup>rd</sup>:**  
Half-Day Students Dismissed at 12pm



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In this fun summer program, your child will develop beginning reading skills. Children learn letter recognition, beginning phonics, and easy sight words. Your child will learn to read simple words and short sentences and get excited about books and reading.

### Program for Entering 1st Graders

In this fun summer program, your child will learn to read independently. Children learn phonics and sight words and build comprehension skills. Your child will develop a love of books and reading and get off to a great start in first grade.

### Program for Entering 2nd Graders

In this fun summer program, your child will become a confident, fluent reader. Children build solid phonics and word-attack skills, develop reading fluency, and improve comprehension. Your child will develop a love of reading and get off to a great start in second grade.

### Program for Entering 3rd Graders

In this fun summer program, your child will become a strong, confident reader. Children improve fluency and comprehension, build long-word decoding skills, and expand vocabulary. Your child will develop a lifelong love of reading and get off to a great start in third grade.

### Programs for Entering 4th and 5th Graders

In these fun single-grade programs, your child will become a skilled, confident reader with strong comprehension in fiction, nonfiction, and textbooks. Students expand their vocabulary and learn to read more fluently and rapidly. As a result, your child will complete homework more quickly and easily, get better grades, and enjoy reading more.

### Programs for Entering 6th, 7th, and 8th Graders

In these single-grade programs, your son or daughter will make substantial gains in comprehension and reading speed in fiction, nonfiction, and textbooks. Students expand vocabulary and learn the best way to take notes. As a result, your child will complete homework more quickly and easily, and build confidence as a reader.

### Programs for Entering 9th and 10th Graders

In these single-grade programs, students learn the skills they need to succeed in high school. Your child will increase reading speed and improve comprehension and focus in fiction, textbooks, and nonfiction. Students expand their academic vocabulary and learn effective time management and study strategies that help them complete work efficiently.

### Programs for Entering 11th, 12th, and College Freshman

Students learn college-prep skills that help them complete work efficiently. They increase reading speed and improve comprehension, focus, and recall.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER

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## Sign up for Summer Camp TODAY!

Treat your child to an Imagine Arts Academy Summer Camp! We offer different camps with brand new activities and topics every day. From mythological creatures to international travel, we have something for every young, curious artist. Camps offer a kids grades K-5. We play lots of games and take brain breaks, too. We have camp locations across the entire Denver Metro Area, and half and full day options are both available.

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## Denver YMCA Summer Camp @ Community College of Aurora



### Youth Summer Camps

At the YMCA of Metro Denver, our youth development philosophy is grounded in 150 years of lifting up kids and helping them reach their full potential. It's a philosophy centered on two critical factors: creating a unique sense of belonging and always incorporating the pure fun and joy of childhood.

### Find Your Fun at Camp

The 2024 program is simple, giving you multiple ways to help your child find their fun. Depending on the camp you choose, they can play all day, explore new skills or learn what it means to be a leader.

### Registration is Now Open - see sites below

At the Y, we believe everyone should have the opportunity to participate in YMCA membership and in our programs regardless of their ability to pay. Learn more about Financial Assistance and Scholarships [here](#).

### Not a member of the Y? Join today and save on summer camp!

Click on the picture to find out more information.



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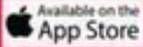


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