

TO: TAVELLI PARENTS
FROM: MS. CHRISTINE HENDRICKS, PRINCIPAL/LINDA FOREMAN, OFFICE 488-6725
DATE: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2017
SUBJECT: IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS and DATES

Tavelli Important Dates to Remember:

Sept. 12	3 rd Grade Back to School Night	5:00 p.m.
	2 nd Grade Back to School Night	5:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	Tavelli Vision and Hearing Screening	
Sept. 14	Kindergarten Back to School Night	5:00 p.m.
	1 st Grade Back to School Night	5:30 p.m.
Sept. 19	Student Picture Day	
Sept. 22	16 th Annual Tavelli Duathlon, 5:30-7:00 p.m. 🏃	
Sept. 25-27	5 th Graders to ECO Week	
Sept. 29	No School for Elementary and Middle School Students, Staff Collaboration Day	
Oct. 6	Tiger Fit Walkathon	

🏃 Denotes a Wellness Event

🐾 Denotes a PTO Sponsored/Volunteer Opportunity or Funded Event

1. Walkathon Volunteer Sign-ups Are Ready! -- Follow this link to volunteer at Tavelli's biggest and most fun event. Slots fill up fast so sign up today! [Walkathon volunteer sign up link](#) 🐾 🏃

2. SAVE THE DATE! THE 16th ANNUAL FAMILY DUATHLON is Friday, September 22nd! Mark your calendars and get ready to kick off the Tavelli school year with some healthy family fun! The Duathlon begins at 5:30 right here at Tavelli. **Look for the bright pink registration form coming home with all students today. Registration forms are due back by Friday, September 15th.** We hope to see you there! 🏃 🐾

3. Bike Riders Please Take Note! – We enjoy seeing our families pick up children on their bikes, however we ask that if you are riding your bike, you dismount and walk on school property, especially during drop off and pick up times. Things can be a little chaotic with children and adults making their way to buses and cars, so we appreciate your help with this.

4. Please Help With Car Pick Up – We know the lines to pick children up can get long and cars get backed up onto Miramont Drive, however please remember that we do have students and adults crossing the street and boarding buses in front of the school. Please don't make U-turns in the middle of Miramont Drive. We have parking available on the west side of our playground, and a member of our staff is there at the end of the day to facilitate student pick up at that location as well. Thanks for your help keeping all our students and staff members safe.

5. Get Involved with PTO -- The PTO has great volunteer opportunities and events coming up. Don't miss out on the latest news! Click on this link to subscribe to the PTO newsletter and other notifications.
[PTO newsletter sign up](#)

6. Smile! – Student pictures will be taken Tuesday, September 19th. Picture forms will be sent home with your student in September. If you are interested in purchasing a photo, please return the envelope with the correct payment by picture day September 19th. Please send only the exact amount if you are sending cash. We cannot make change for picture orders. All students will be photographed, whether a picture is purchased or not. 🐾

7. A Few Reminders for Parents – a) If your child is absent from school, please call our attendance line at 488-6726 to let us know your child will be out of school for the day. The office needs daily notification of any absence. In case of extended absences, please let us know when your child will return. b) If your child will be changing after school dismissal plans, please be sure to send a note or give the office a call to explain the change. c) If you need to pick up your child early, please be sure to stop at the office to sign your child out. d) Students should not arrive at school before 8:35 a.m. The first bell rings at 8:50 a.m. Thank you.

8. Safety First! -- For the safety of our children we ask that you enter the building at the main entrance. Please stop by the office, sign in and get a visitor's badge. Teachers will be checking for badges and asking you to return to the office to sign in and put on a badge. Again, this is for the protection of our children so we know who is in our building. Thank you for your cooperation.

9. Eat Lunch With Your Students! – Tavelli welcomes any visitor who would like to eat with their child during their lunch time. If you are eating in the cafeteria with just your child, you may use the back table in the cafeteria for that purpose. If you are eating with your child and some friends, we ask that you eat with the classroom group. If you wish to take your child outside for a picnic lunch in our nature area, please let the lunchroom attendant know that you will be taking your child outside. We can only allow parents to take their own children out of the building for lunch. Thank you for your help! Lunch money can be loaded onto each student's account, or parents can apply for free/reduced meal benefits.

10. Check Your Student's Lunch Account – If your student is purchasing hot lunch, please make sure to check the lunch balance periodically. This can be done on the psdschools.org website, go to the programs and services tab then to school meals. Payments can be made online with a credit card. It is also possible to sign up for free and reduced meals on this same website. Applications for meal benefits must be renewed yearly.

Your Tavelli PTO

The goals of Tavelli Elementary PTO are to encourage parental involvement in our school, to build a sense of school community, and to provide a supportive teacher/parent relationship.

We welcome and need your involvement! You can volunteer from home, volunteer in classrooms or help with one of our fun community events. PTO welcomes you to attend monthly meetings but you do not *have* to attend or be a member to participate in any PTO activity, or to volunteer at Tavelli.

In the past, your Tavelli PTO has contributed great sums of money and many, many volunteer hours to support Tavelli students, teachers and classrooms. We will be showing our supportive parents (you!) *exactly* where the money goes. Simply look for the PTO Paw on Thursday notes and on the web page <https://tav.pedschools.org/>. The paw means significant funds and/or people power has been contributed by parents through Tavelli PTO. You will notice that PTO contributes to a wide range of activities at Tavelli. By supporting your Tavelli PTO through volunteering in classrooms, on committees and through financial means, you are supporting Tavelli Elementary School. To help your PTO and your school, volunteer in a classroom or on a committee today. A little effort goes a long way! 🐾

1. Box Tops For Education – Please bring any box tops that you have collected over the summer to school. Tavelli collects 10 cents for every box top turned in. Please continue to save throughout the year and drop them in the collection box in the block area. Thank you for supporting our PTO programs. 🐾

2. Volunteers at Tavelli – All Poudre School District volunteers are required to register or update their profile at the PSD website to volunteer at Tavelli or any other school in the district. Any unregistered volunteers or those not cleared by the District will not be allowed in the classrooms. Please make sure to go online to psdschools.org and follow the directions to register as a volunteer. Don't have access to the web? We can get you registered here at school, just stop in at the office and we can help you get this done. 🐾



Please visit the Tavelli Website <https://tav.pedschools.org/>