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Mission: Within a supportive school community, The Academy of Arts & Knowledge offers a robust arts program that complements core academics, fosters critical thinking skills and creates confident, creative individuals with the freedom to reach their full potential.

Vision: Provide an environment that allows every student to reach their full potential.

AAK Dragon Mail



Welcome to 2020!

Jan 16 - Math Night @ 6:00-7:00pm

Jan 20 - MLK Day - NO SCHOOL!

Jan 24 - Dragon Scales singing National Anthem @ Eagles Game!

Jan 27 - AAK Spelling BEE (see info from your child's teacher)

Jan 31 - FIRE Assembly @ 2:30pm

[AAK School Calendar Link](#)

Dragon Mail is also posted in the Front Office.

FRIENDLY REMINDERS



-Remember to check your child's backpack for their Friday Folder ... teachers send home important info on Fridays!

AAK EVENTS



DURING THE SCHOOL DAY



-FIRE Assembly on Friday, January 31st at 2:30pm. Parents are welcome!



AFTER THE SCHOOL DAY



Math Night on Thursday, January 16th @ 6:00-7:00pm

Play games with AAK staff and practice your math skills at the same time! There will be snacks available as well. No need to sign up - just come at 6pm and enjoy the fun!



AAK Band is starting again on January 15th, 2020!

Do you play trumpet, trombone, flute, clarinet, saxophone or the drums? Good news! AAK Band is starting back up January 15th!

Students who were in band last year or taking lessons this year are invited to join us on Wednesdays from 3:15 to 5 PM. (If you are here after 5 PM you will need to sign up for the Extended Day Program). We will start with a snack immediately after school, so bring a snack or sign up for one at EDP!

You will need your instrument and the book Essential Elements I for your instrument for every rehearsal. The book is available at Boomer Music, 3761 S. Mason Street Fort Collins. There is also a need-basis scholarship to obtain the book, please speak to Ms. Osgood at the Front Desk to apply.

We will perform for the Respect Assembly in April, and the Arts Gala in May!

Questions about the AAK Band? Contact Mrs. Floyd: lfloyd@aakelementary.org

Use this form to Register at the Front Desk:

<https://dta0yqvfnusi.cloudfront.net/tpaak87727126/2019/09/AAK-Afterschool-Programs-REGISTRATION-5d727d82214dc.pdf>



Dragon Scales Eagles Hockey Game Performance!

AAK Families, please add a fun date to your calendar! **January 24th**, the Dragon Scales will be performing at the Eagles Hockey Game at the Budweiser Event Center! More details to follow. Make sure you save the date!

DRAGON SCALES

NATIONAL ANTHEM PERFORMANCE!



Friday, January 24th at 7:05pm
vs San Antonio

Help support the AAK Choir
while they perform the National
Anthem before the Eagles game!
Don't miss your opportunity to
see a game at a great price and
show support for your school!

Use this link to purchase your specially priced tickets:

<http://fevo.me/tpaak>

PARENT HELP NEEDED



NEW

Please consider helping provide snacks for Math Night Jan 16th.
See Link below to sign up.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0e48ada92aa3fb6-aakmath>

NEW

Next PTO Meeting Tuesday January 14th, 5pm.

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS INFORMATION



NEW

Mad Science - Winter Session 2020

Class Day: Wednesdays 3:45-4:35pm

Duration: 1/22-2/26/2020

Price: \$89.00 - Save \$5 register by 1/15

Grades: K-5

Register Online: Colorado.MadScience.Org

See [Flyer](#)



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Dragon Scales ... you can still join the AAK Choir!

Hey singers, how about joining Dragon Scales? If you can commit to the Tuesday and Thursday morning rehearsals (that means coming to school at 7:15 AM on those days!) you can join our group!

Here's why you need to do that:

We have treats for breakfast once a week.

You will get to sing at the HOCKEY GAME!

You will make our group bigger and stronger! We NEED you!

Here is the link for signing up (please return the form to the Front Desk): [Registration Form Link](#)

Please contact Ms. Floyd lfloyd@aakelementary.org with questions.

AAK Healthy Starts and Extended Day Program Info

Registration link for Before and After School Extended Day Program:

<https://www.aakelementary.org/extended-day/>

January registration is now open!

You are able to register for multiple days at the same time, register multiple kids at the same time, edit (add/delete) days, and see a whole month at the same time.

If you have registered for the day and no longer need it, please email Ms. Osgood **AND** your child's teacher **before noon of that day** to pick them up at school dismissal (3:20-3:30pm).

Breakfast does not start until 7:40am. If you need to drop your child off prior to that, you must register for Healthy Starts.



Fees for late pick up are as follows: \$1/minute for the first ten minutes, \$5/minute for every minute afterwards. Failure to pay late pick-up fees will result in suspension of Extended Day privileges.

COMMUNITY EVENTS



LOVELAND MUSEUM EDUCATION NEWS



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LOVELAND ARTS AND CULTURE



City of Loveland Cultural Services Department

November 2019 - April 2020

The Loveland Museum is a fabulous educational tool for your school group, home school students, scout troop, book club, family outing, senior activity group and more. If you visit the Museum, we have multiple resources for each age group to enhance your learning, from scavenger hunts to hands-on interactive exhibits. We can also provide classroom outreach, tours,

field trips and programs that are helpful for teachers of art, humanities, and local/regional history. Or, keep your students busy while on break from school with fun art and history classes. To register for classes, go to our website at lovelandmuseum.org. For more information on tours, groups visits or to book a tour, contact:

Jenni Dobson, Curator of Education,
970-962-2562, jenni.dobson@cityofloveland.org



History for Kids

\$10 per class (\$8 members)

Classes meet from 2-4 pm, Ages 6-12

Explore exhibits and engage in fun activities while learning about the fascinating history of Loveland and northern Colorado. These classes are held on the same days as our art classes (out-of-school days), so let your kids spend the day with us while you work or finish chores!

Dec 26 Winter Mountain Survival	How did Mountain Men survive the cold Colorado winters for so long?
Dec 27 Sugar Beet Boom	Sugar Beets jump started the northern Colorado farming community and still serve as a cash crop for the area.
Jan 2 Sour Cherries	Did you know that sweet cherry pie is actually made from sour cherries? Or that Loveland was once covered in cherry orchards?
Jan 3 Colorado Central Railroad	Many Front Range towns wouldn't be here without it! Learn the importance of this railroad to the towns of Berthoud, Loveland and Fort Collins.
Feb 27 Pioneer Women of Loveland	It's almost women's history month, so to prepare, learn which women were most important to the beginnings of Loveland.
Feb 28 Welcome to Barnesville	Find out why Loveland could have been named Barnesville instead!
March 17 The Travelling Arapaho	Nomadic tribes once ruled the plains of Colorado. Find out how they survived their travelling lifestyles.
March 18 Mountain Man Adventures	Trapping, trading, exploring, guiding. Mountain men did it all!
March 19 Colorado-Big Thompson Water Works	Snowfall in Colorado supplies much of our water, but how does water on the west side of the Rockies help our growing population on the east side of the Rockies?
March 20 Farming the Desert West	The great plains of Colorado and the mid-west were called the Great American Desert because it is so dry and arid. So, how did pioneers first farm the land?

Main Gallery Art Exhibits

(\$7):

Papel Chicano Dos

Oct 5 2019 - Jan 12, 2020

Primarily known as an actor, director, and performer, Cheech Marin has developed the finest private collection of Chicano art in the United States. This exhibition includes 65 artworks by 24 established and emerging artists. Their work demonstrates a myriad of techniques and dates from the late 1980s to present day.

Other Exhibits (free):

Building Steam

Nov 8, 2019 - Apr 12, 2020

This exhibit presents a view of Loveland's early railroad history using the Loveland Historical Society's garden railroad, a variety of related objects and photos from the Museum's collection, and photos from historian, Ken Jessen.

Josiah Lee Lopez

Nov 12, 2019 - Jan 26, 2020

Solo exhibition of recent artwork by Denver artist, Josiah Lee Lopez, highlighting the association of graffiti/urban street influences with cultural signs and symbols through the experiential lens of the artist.

Erin Leeper: Ethereal Icons

Dec 14, 2019 - Mar 22, 2020

Ethereal icons are joyful, contemporary versions of well known, traditional Holy Cards that portray Jesus, Mary, Angels and all the Saints, originally intended to inspire contemplation and give comfort through each one's specific attributions.

Vote:

A Centennial Celebration

Feb 8- Apr 5, 2020

VOTE: A Centennial Celebration presents artists' personal reflections upon the 100th Anniversary of Amendment 19, which granted women the right to vote.

TOT ART

\$15 per class (\$12 members)
Classes meet from 10:30-11:30 am
Ages 3-5 with an adult
No younger siblings, please



- **December 6, "Glass" Art**, Chihuly-inspired creations with Shrinky Dink.
- **December 13, Paint to Music**, Mixed media watercolor paintings inspired by Wassily Kandinsky.
- **January 10, Snowmen at Night**, Clay and chalk pastel snowmen.
- **January 17, Winter Windows**, "Stained glass" with mixed media.
- **February 7, Heart Art**, Acrylic painting and sun catchers inspired by Jim Dine.
- **February 14, Monoprint Hearts**, Heart art using printmaking and assemblage.
- **March 13, Women in Art**, Frida Kahlo inspired masks.
- **March 27, Baby Owls**, Printmaking collage.
- **April 10, Flower Power**, Watercolor paintings inspired by Georgia O'Keeffe.
- **April 17, Monet's Lily Pad Friends**, 3D painting and collage.

Visit lovelandmuseum.org or call 970-962-2410 to register

School-Break Art for Kids

\$30 per class (\$24 Museum Members)
10:30 am – 1:30 pm (please bring a lunch with you)
Ages 6-11

Looking for something for your kiddos to do while on break from school? Drop them off at the Museum for a few hours for a supervised Museum Adventure. Each class, we will explore a new topic and complete exciting creative projects.

- **December 26, Winter Wonderland**, Snowmen in pastels and clay.
- **December 27, Outer Space**, Canvas paintings of space.
- **January 2, Game Changer**, Create a unique game board and 3D game pieces.
- **January 3, Showy Shoes**, Repurpose old shoes into awesome décor.
- **February 27, Venetian Masks**, Mixed media sculpted masks.
- **February 28, The Scream**, Edvard Munch inspired collage.
- **March 17, Canvas Abstracts**, Abstract art with acrylic paint.
- **March 18, Secret Life of Your Pet**, Collaged and painted pet portraits.



TEEN ART

Fee: \$25 per class
(\$20 Museum Members)
Classes meet from 2-4 pm
Ages 12-18

Classes will help teens fine-tune their art skills, with instruction by local professional artists. All supplies are provided.

December 27,
Vibrant Sunsets,
Splash and pour acrylic paintings.

January 2,
Whimsical Landscapes,
With ink and acrylics.

March 17, The Scream,
Edvard Munch inspired painting.

March 18, Dripping Trees,
Abstract trees in acrylic paint.

March 19, Holding My World,
Pen and ink doodle collage.

March 20, Shake It Up,
Paint, 3D shapes and a final complied masterpiece!

