

## Points of Pride

**We asked present and former students what they like and remember about Eagle Ridge:**

*Bryce (Kindergarten)* – Eagle Ridge has fun stuff like the computer room.

*Emelia (1st Grade)* – We have people who help me learn, like my teacher & 5th grade reading buddy.

*Seth (2nd Grade)* – It's a fun place to be. The teachers make it fun & classes like PE are fun.

*Jonathan (3rd Grade)* – I like all the specials teachers. I like PE a lot because I like to run.

*Erin (4th Grade)* – I love the teachers. They are nice and encourage you to learn. They push you just right.

*Hend (5th Grade)* – The people at Eagle Ridge help us SOAR.

*Michael (6th grade)* – I like the teachers. They give us time to think. I like the food too.

*Jessie (Eagle Ridge Alumni)* – When I look back at my elementary days at Eagle Ridge, I think about the caring teachers who were involved in giving me the start of my education. Nothing makes me prouder than being an Eagle Ridge Alumni!

*Bryan (Eagle Ridge Alumni)* – I see Eagle Ridge as the starting point for not only my education, but also the many friendships that still continue today.

*Jess (Eagle Ridge Alumni)* – Eagle Ridge teachers nurtured and encouraged me to chase my dream at a young age. Their support gave me the confidence to follow my dream.

## About Our District

Douglas County School District is the third largest school district in Colorado and we remain one of the highest achieving and fastest growing districts in Colorado.

Superintendent Jim Christensen and the Board of Education attribute this continued success to a focus on students. Engaged parents, outstanding teachers and staff contribute greatly to student learning in our District. Our Vision is to help students acquire the knowledge and abilities to become responsible citizens who contribute to society.

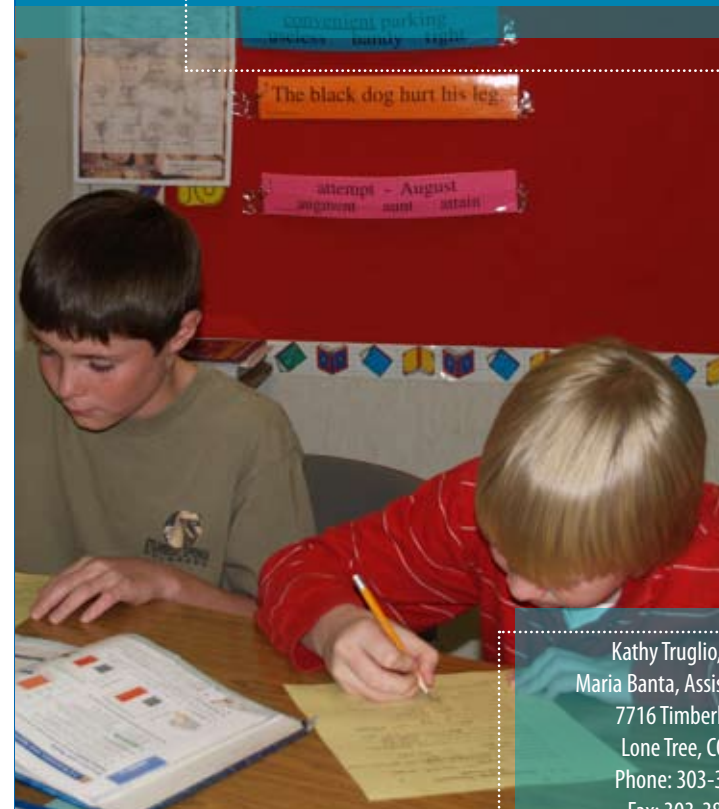
In addition to the information found in this school report, state-required accountability and accreditation information is also available in the Colorado Department of Education's "ONE REPORT," linked to the District web site at [www.dcsdk12.org](http://www.dcsdk12.org). Or, send an email to [communications@dcsdk12.org](mailto:communications@dcsdk12.org) for additional information.

We have outstanding students in our District who go far beyond what required reports can tell us. We celebrate their successes daily. Thank you for being part of our school community!

### School Mission Statement

Our mission is to provide a safe, nurturing and engaging learning environment where every individual is valued and inspired to soar. Together we will create a community committed to excellence.

## Eagle Ridge Elementary School



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## Principal's Perspective



We began school year 2007-08 with a brand new playground under construction. Our new playground was funded with money from the District's Capital Reserve Fund. When it officially opened in the early fall, the students were so excited, as the equipment offered lots of opportunities for movement activities. Along with the new playground equipment, the blacktop was replaced and new basketball, tether ball and 4-square areas were defined. We were also able to add some additional landscaping with funding help from our PTA.

Eagle Ridge was proud to become a part of the Positive Behavior Support initiative, an international program supported by the Colorado Department of Education and Douglas County Schools. Our *SOAR w/4* acronym represents four important life-long character traits of being Safe, Organized, Accountable and Respectful. The purpose of this program is to promote and maximize academic achievement and behavioral competence. It is a school-wide strategy for helping students achieve social and learning goals. When good behavior and good teaching come together, we know our students will excel in their learning.

During school year 06-07, we began to explore the implementation of a new mathematics program. With the help of the District mathematics department, we explored a variety of opportunities, participated in staff development, and reviewed an assortment of materials. We decided to implement, in school year 07-08, Bridges in Mathematics for grades K-5 and Connected Mathematics 2 for grade 6. Our '08 Math CSAP scores in grades 4-6 showed growth based on the state's new Diagnostic Growth Summary.

Our staff continues to fulfill our school mission providing our Eagle Ridge students with a safe, nurturing, and engaging learning environment. Valuing and inspiring our students is a priority for us. Our staff participates in ongoing professional development. A professor I had at the University of Denver referred to education as one of the great professions. Just like the practice of medicine, the practice of educating the next generation is a profession that is infinitely improvable.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership. I appreciate your strong commitment to Eagle Ridge. As always, please contact me if you have questions.

Sincerely,

*Kathy Truglio*

Principal

## Goals and Measures

### 2007-2008 School Improvement Goals

One of our goals was to be at or above the District average on the CSAP in all content areas at all grades levels (3-6). We achieved the goal in 12/13 areas.

Reading		
	District	Eagle Ridge
3rd Grade	82%	90%
4th Grade	80%	79%
5th Grade	85%	86%
6th Grade	89%	89%

Writing		
	District	Eagle Ridge
3rd Grade	62%	69%
4th Grade	67%	69%
5th Grade	76%	78%
6th Grade	78%	87%

Math		
	District	Eagle Ridge
3rd Grade	83%	86%
4th Grade	83%	84%
5th Grade	81%	88%
6th Grade	80%	86%

Science		
	District	Eagle Ridge
5th Grade	57%	63%