

## Points of Pride

- ✦ Fox Creek has received an “Excellent” rating from the state of Colorado for the 2006-2007 and the 2007-2008 school year.
- ✦ Fox Creek’s new PTO has brought a new focus of community involvement to our school.
- ✦ For five years now, Fox Creek teachers participated in “Lesson Study,” a teacher/peer observation and coaching model.
- ✦ Technology is now offered as a fourth special at Fox Creek. Art, music, and physical education, as well as band, orchestra and choir are offered at Fox Creek as well.
- ✦ Fox Creek has an English as a Second Language program that brings numerous languages and nationalities to our community.

## 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

Learning...  
Every child!  
Every day!

## Fox Creek Elementary School



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## Principal's Perspective



As your principal, I take great pleasure in communicating with you the results of Fox Creek's School Accountability Report (SAR) for the 2007-2008 school year. The SAR is another means to provide the Fox Creek community with pertinent facts, statistics, and information about our school and district. Fox Creek is an exciting place for children to learn. We have a strong academic program, and our staff continues to maintain a clear focus on helping students become successful readers, accomplished writers, and excellent problem solvers in math.

In addition to the core areas of reading, writing and math, we provide a balance of skill building in computer literacy, art, music, and physical development. As you will note in the attached school report card, our students score well in relation to the district and the state. Yet we believe our students can perform even better. Our staff uses data from various assessments in reading, writing, and math to adjust teaching strategies and learning activities. We expect our students to become self-evaluators as they critique their own work and take ownership of their learning.

Fox Creek is a center-based school with two unique programs for children with special needs. Our Significant Support Needs (SSN) program is for children with a variety of physical and mental challenges. We also have a program for children who are learning English as a Second Language (ESL). These students spend the majority of their day in the regular classroom. Both of these programs enrich our school environment by helping children appreciate similarities and differences in the world.

Thank you for taking the time to review this report on your child's school. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the school office.

Sincerely,

*Brian Rodda*

Principal

## Goals and Measures

### School Improvement Goals for 2008-2009

#### Goal #1 – Student Learning Focus

By May of 2009, 100% of the students at Fox Creek will demonstrate increased understanding and application of critical thinking skills as measured by a pre and post “culture of thinking” survey. This increased understanding will result in greater understanding of mathematical vocabulary.

#### Goal #2 – Process Management Focus

By May of 2009, Fox Creek will have a strategic data-monitoring plan in place for 2009-2010 implementation. The data-monitoring plan will incorporate school-wide measures with capacity for data collection, review, and analysis to support and inform Fox Creek's strategic plan.

