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**Free Public Charter School in West Glenwood Springs Grades K-7 (8th in 2015)**

The **Vision** of Two Rivers Community School is to be an exemplary K-8 school founded upon the belief in **Academic Rigor, Authentic Relationships, and Curricular Relevancy.**

## IMPORTANT DATES

- August 18th—19th :** Teachers will spend a half day with small groups of students as a part of pre-assessments to get to know where the students are academically and socially. Via email, you will receive a detailed schedule of times per grade level.
- August 18th** is Open House in the evening.
- August 20th FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL!!**

**BOARD'S CORNER:** As we approach the end of the building construction phase, the furnishings assembly, interior painting and cleanup, the next effort is to unpack and distribute learning materials for the students to their classrooms. It is so exciting to anticipate the high student achievement that will result from the fabulous tools and the tremendous talents from the teachers that await our learners.

**TRCS Interim Board of Directors:** Manette Anderson, Chair, Rachel Connor, Rick Blauvelt, John Gorman, and Nancy Metrovich.

As you may know, our teaching staff started in July and spent several weeks working with our educational consultant, James Lewicki. Each team of teachers worked on **Place Based Platforms** which integrate science content. The platform for K-3 is **Seed to Table** a unit of study that explores the path of how food is grown and distributed. In the upper grades the platform is **Energy and Us** within which students will explore how human activities impact the ecosystem and climate. These will be the basis for integrated learning during the first term. James will be returning to TRCS throughout the year to assist teachers in the planning process.

This past week, we have been studying literacy, language, and math standards closely. Teachers are preparing learning targets for each trimester linked to the standards and studying their curriculum materials closely.

**New Website! Check it out:**  
[www.tworiverscs.org](http://www.tworiverscs.org)

We have also been working to prepare the building for students. We had about 15 volunteers come to help us paint the interior, teams of folks come to help clean the building throughout June and July, and others come to help us set up furnishings for classrooms. This has been an enormous help to us. **Thank you, thank you, thank you!**

**Pre assessment days** are scheduled for **August 18 and 19<sup>th</sup>**. Students will come in small groups and spend a half day getting oriented to their teacher and classmates. This time will also allow teachers to get an idea of where students are in math and literacy. Times are scheduled from 8:00-11:00 and again from 12:00-3:00. Parents are asked to drop off and pick up their child according to that schedule. **Your will receive an email with your assigned time and day.**

On the **first full day of school, the 20<sup>th</sup>**, two staff will be on duty outside beginning at 7:45. We will help direct traffic and supervise kids who have arrived early outside the building. Since we do not have a playground this year on site, kids can mingle and socialize outside briefly before school starts. One of our challenges is to learn how best to use the space we have. We need to honor teachers' time to prepare for the day so students will not be invited into classrooms until 7:55 AM.

**Back to School Night is scheduled for August 18<sup>th</sup>** from 6:00-7:00. This will be a time for families to come visit the classrooms and teachers of their child. Teachers will plan a short presentation and take time for questions. We will have information about after school programming and opportunities to sign up your child.

Our **Launch the Future Campaign** has already generated about \$10,000 for TRCS. Our budget depends on approximately \$30,000 in donations this year. We are 1/3 of the way there. We have learned through both the efforts of volunteers as well as these donations how generous our community is. **Our gratitude goes out to all the donors for their support!**

### SCHOOL FEES

TRCS will be collecting school fees for the year on your child's reassessment day.

Kindergarten 5 Half Days No tuition  
 Kindergarten 5 Full Days \$310 per month\*  
 Grades 1 - 8 No tuition  
 Payment of tuition is due the 1st of each month.  
 Payments made after a 10-day grace period are subject to an additional 5% percent late fee.  
 Activity & Supply Fees  
 Students from Kindergarten to 8th grade will pay fees to cover activities and supplies.  
 The activity fee can be paid over the 10-month school year (August 1-May1).  
 Kindergarten \$300 (\$30 per month)  
 Grades 1 - 8 \$300 (\$30 per month)

**Thank you everyone! This will be an exciting year!**

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