

## AAK Event Calendar 2026-2027

| Date                 | Activity                                                                           |
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| August 7th           | Back to School BBQ 5pm-7pm-Family Event                                            |
| August 28th          | Back to School Night 5:30pm-6:45pm-Family event                                    |
| September TBD        | Eco Week Fundraiser Night-Family Event                                             |
| September 1st - 15th | PTO Fundraiser: Dominos Pizza Card Sales                                           |
| September 23rd       | Camp Read A Lot 1:30pm-3:15pm-Student Event                                        |
| October 8th          | Pizza for Families 5:30pm-6:00pm<br>A Night at the Museum 5:30pm-6:30pm            |
| October 12-16        | Fall Break                                                                         |
| October TBD          | Eco Week Parent's Night Out-Family Event                                           |
| October TBD          | PTO Fundraiser Night-Family Event                                                  |
| October TBD          | Colorado Shakespeare Festival - The Tempest - 3rd-5th grade<br>(during school day) |
| October 23rd         | Walk A Thon 2:00pm-3:00pm-Family Event                                             |
| October 30th         | Halloween Parade and School Dance 1:30pm-3:00pm-Family Event                       |
| November 5th         | Family Lantern Making Night 4:30-5:30pm                                            |
| November 11th        | "Laternenumzug" (Family Lantern Walk) 4:45-5:45pm                                  |
| November 18th        | AAK Fall Showcase Evening-Family Event                                             |
| November 23-27       | Happy Thanksgiving!                                                                |
| December 11th        | CLC Club Performances-Family Event                                                 |
| December 16th        | AAK Giving Day                                                                     |
| December 17th        | Celebrations Around the World 1:30pm-3:15pm-Student Event                          |

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| December 18th              | Winter Movie Day 1:30pm-3:15pm-Student Event                                         |
| December 21st- January 5th | Enjoy the holidays! See you in the new year!                                         |
| January TBD                | ECO Week Parent's Night Out-Family Event                                             |
| January 29th               | Pizza for Families 5:30pm-6:00pm<br>Wizards World of Numbers & Science 6:00pm-7:00pm |
| February 10th              | Talent Show 1:30pm-3:00pm-Student Event                                              |
| TBD                        | Annual Winter Gala (Adult Fundraising Event)                                         |
| March 8th-21st             | Spring Break                                                                         |
| March TBD                  | Eco Week Fundraiser Night-Family Event                                               |
| April 1st                  | 4th Grade/5th Grade Play- Morning Show-Student Event                                 |
| April 2nd                  | 4th/5th Grade Play-Evening Show-Family Event                                         |
| April TBD                  | PTO Fundraiser Night-Family Event                                                    |
| April/May TBD              | Mask Exhibit-AAK Fundraiser Night-Family Event                                       |
| April 26th-30th            | Teacher Appreciation Break                                                           |
| May 7th                    | Science Fair 1:00pm-3:00pm-Student Event                                             |
| May 15th                   | Art Gala 10:00am-12:00pm-Family Event                                                |
| TBD                        | Eco Week-5th grade                                                                   |
| May 21st                   | CLC Club Performances Evening-Family Event                                           |
| May 26th                   | AAK Spring Showcase Evening-Family Event                                             |
| May 27th                   | Move Up Day-Student Event                                                            |
| June 2nd                   | Continuations: K-morning, Pre-K afternoon, 5th-afternoon                             |
| June 4th                   | Block Party 5:30pm-8:00pm-Family Event                                               |
| June TBD                   | PTO Fundraiser Night-Family Event                                                    |

**Back to School BBQ:** AAK welcomes all of our families back to school for the new school year as well as welcomes new families to our school community. We will serve dinner and have our building open for you to drop off school supplies and meet your child's teacher. Class lists will be posted! This is a great opportunity for you to get to know other families and meet our staff, teachers, and PTO members!!

**Back to School Night:** This is a time to come and learn the in's and out's of your child's classroom and the school community. We will have the PTO available to answer any questions and a sign up sheet for you to join their amazing group.

**ECO Fundraiser Nights:** 5th grade will be offering a variety of fundraising opportunities to help raise money for their ECO Week trip. They will be working on paying for the entirety of this trip which usually costs around \$3000.00.

**Walk-A-Thon:** The Walk-A-Thon is AAK's one major fundraiser for the year! Students have the opportunity to raise funds for a specific cause that benefits all of the students at AAK. During the afternoon on the scheduled day our students do laps around the parking lot with lots of staff and family participants. We mark each lap that then turns into a math problem for our 4th and 5th graders. This is a fun event that is full of loud music, laughter, and lots of energy!!

**CLC Family Open House:** This is a great opportunity for our families to meet our wonderful CLC staff. You will have the chance to engage in the different clubs, meet the staff, and experience the world of our Community Learning Center.

**AAK Showcase:** AAK presents arts integrated showcases twice a year. These showcases present the integrated learning experiences of our students. Presentations may include stage performances and/or classroom presentations. Most showcases will have scheduled performance times as well as open house style for those families who do not have a child performing.

**Camp Read A Lot:** Camp Read A Lot is an afternoon filled with books and campsites! Students will have the opportunity to travel to the different classrooms and listen to books read by teachers. Many of our classrooms transform into a campsite!

**PTO Fundraiser Nights:** Our PTO schedules special nights at restaurants. During these events

they will receive 10%-20% of the money spent to help support the PTO activities throughout the school year.

**Halloween Parade and School Dance:** AAK celebrates Halloween with a parade around the school and school dance! Come prepared with your costume!!! Please no blood, weapons, or scary costumes. We will have a primary dance and an intermediate dance after the parade. This will take the place of classroom parties.

**PTO Literacy/Social Studies night:** Our PTO sponsors a literacy night where all of our students, families and teachers come together to participate in an evening full of activities with a literacy and social studies focus. This is an open house style event. The theme will be determined each year.

**Family Lantern Making Night:** Families will have an opportunity to come to the school and make a lantern on November 14th for the Lantern Walk "Laternenumzug" on November 21st.

**Family Lantern Walk ("Laternenumzug"):** This is a German tradition that elementary school students look forward to every November. Together with their parents or teachers, children create their own lanterns to then walk them at night time while singing songs or just enjoying the lights. After the walk, we'll gather for hot cocoa. It's a wonderful way to celebrate our community at AAK!

**CLC Club Performances:** Once a semester CLC clubs will present their hard work to their families. This is an open house style event.

**AAK Giving Day:** Starting at the beginning of December, AAK will have a clothing drive, toy drive, and food drive. On AAK Giving Day students will sort through the donations and prepare them for donation drop off. Families are more than welcome to volunteer on this day!

**Celebrations Around The World:** Students from all grade levels will travel through the school learning about celebrations that occur around the world. Each classroom will feature a different project immersing the students in a new celebration. We are always looking for volunteers to help with this event as well as share a celebration from your culture!

**Winter Movie Day:** Students will come dressed in their comfy clothes and participate in educational activities based on the winter movie. Students will enjoy a cup of hot chocolate and end the day with the movie.

**Talent Show:** This is one of our favorite activities! Our students will have the opportunity to try out for our Talent Show. Our Talent Show committee will choose the top performers to be in our Talent Show!

**Science Fair:** Science Fair projects are worked on at school as well as home. Students will bring in their project to present. A panel of “experts” will judge all of the projects and the top rated ones will move on to final judging. This event is mandatory for 3rd-5th grade students, K-2nd grade can choose to participate and will have their own category for judging.

**4th/5th Grade Play:** Our 4th and 5th grade students will write, perform, create and play the music, and create all of the scenery for a play. The play will be presented in the morning and the evening.

**Mask Exhibit:** Every year students have the opportunity to create a mask for MOCA, Museum of Contemporary Art, located in Old Town Fort Collins. AAK will host a Family Night at the museum for all of our families to see our mask and to take part in viewing the entire exhibit.

**Art Gala:** AAK will transform into an art gallery and host an open house event for our families. Students' art work will be displayed, students will be singing and playing instruments, as well as offering a silent auction. Each classroom will create a piece of art to be auctioned off that day. All proceeds will go into our art program!

**Eco Week:** Our 5th graders will have the opportunity to spend 3 days and 2 nights at the YMCA of the Rockies. They will participate in outdoor education, hiking, and team building.

**Move Up Day:** Students spend part of their day in the classroom of the next grade level so they can meet the teacher and see what the next grade is like. An exciting experience that helps to alleviate and nervous

**Block Party:** Our annual Block Party is an end of year celebration for students and their families. We have music and food trucks as well as games and activities. Come out and exchange numbers with other families so your student can keep in touch with their friends over the summer break!

**Continuations:** Our pre-k, kindergarten and 5th grade classes will celebrate the end of the year and continuing on to the next adventure. There will be a slide show and celebration in the auditorium.