

WEEKLY UPDATE FOR JULY 22, 2013

Strong Schools Coalition



The Strong Schools Coalition works to **inform** and **engage** the community to positively **impact** the public schools in Douglas County.

DCSD NEWS FROM THE WEEK

[School project is for the birds](#) – 7/21/13 ourcoloradonews.com

More than half of the elementary schools throughout Douglas County have a community garden tended by students and staff.

[Roxborough woman seeks school board post](#) – 7/21/13 ourcoloradonews.com

Software saleswoman Barbra Chase Burke said she wants to help take politics out of the Douglas County School District board.

[Phone survey on schools flawed, many say](#) – 7/18/13 ourcoloradonews.com

A phone survey conducted by a group that supports the current Douglas County School District board outraged many who attempted to take it.

[School citizens' committee forming](#) – 7/18/13 ourcoloradonews.com

Two people who often stand on opposite sides of Douglas County School District issues are together starting a citizens' committee.

[School board opposes Common Core](#) – 7/18/13 ourcoloradonews.com

The Douglas County School Board unanimously adopted a resolution July 16 opposing the Common Core Standards in favor of the district's own.

[Time to address parent concerns](#) – 7/17/13 ourcoloradonews.com

Guest Column by Susan Meek: In a recent opinion piece, "Bogus claims ...," Mr. Randy Reed claimed to be interested in the truth regarding the state of Douglas County School District.

[School board president accused of crashing meeting](#) – 7/17/13

ourcoloradonews.com

Two Douglas County parents said they felt intimidated and threatened when school board president John Carson showed up unannounced at a private house party July 15.

[Colorado school funding rebounding from cuts during Great Recession](#) –

7/16/13 denverpost.com

Colorado schools will get a sizable bump in per-student funding for the first time since the Great Recession, but the increase offers a false sense of economic progress, according to several district officials.

[Douglas County teachers get tech lesson at 'Geek Camp'](#) – 7/16/13

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Kids always seem to be on the cutting edge of technology. The Douglas County School District is making sure its teachers aren't left behind.

[School security ready for rollout](#) – 7/15/13

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Armed law enforcement officers will spend about two hours each day in area elementary, middle and other school buildings as part of the Douglas County School District's new school security program.

[Free summer lunch gets bigger](#) – 7/9/13

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Her children can have milk with their cereal, but can't have additional milk during the day as a beverage. The current family budget doesn't allow that.



Mark Your Calendar

Monday, July 22

DCEF Golf for Education Fundraiser

TIME: 9:00 AM

LOCATION: The Club at Pradera, 5225 Raintree Drive Parker, CO 80134

Enjoy your Summer!

Our Weekly Updates will be on a summer schedule and will be released less frequently.

Our volunteers are on summer mode -- enjoy your family time!

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