

WEEKLY UPDATE FOR SEPTEMBER 9, 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

[Five candidate forums set](#) – 9/9/13 ourcoloradonews.com

Five candidate forums are scheduled in the lead-up to the Douglas County School Board election.

[Despite candidate conflicts, forum is a go](#) – 9/9/13

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The Douglas County School District Accountability Committee is moving forward with a planned Sept. 12 school-board candidate forum, even though the four candidates who oppose much of the current board's policies have previously scheduled commitments for the evening.

[Final board candidate list set](#) – 9/6/13 ourcoloradonews.com

Two candidates will appear on the November ballot in each of the four Douglas County School Board open district seats.

[Teachers' union endorses board candidates](#) – 9/6/13

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The Douglas County teachers' union is endorsing school board candidates Barbra Chase, Bill Hodges, Julie Keim and Ronda Scholting in the November election.

[Documentary on school board debuts](#) – 9/6/13 ourcoloradonews.com

About 200 people attended the Sept. 3 screening in Parker of a documentary critical of the Douglas County School Board's education reform efforts.

['Grinch' protesters were paid teens](#) – 9/5/13 ourcoloradonews.com

Two mute, masked and costumed protesters on hand for the Sept. 3 screening of a documentary about the Douglas County School Board were revealed as teenage boys, paid for their time by an unknown person or source. The two were carrying signs reading, "Grinches for union control."

[Teachers will run 200 miles to inspire students](#) – 9/4/13 9news.com

[Douglas County assigns more money to pay raises, schools](#) – 9/4/13

denverpost.com

The Douglas County School District will offer additional pay increases for employees and allocate more money to schools this year because of higher than anticipated property tax revenues, according to officials.

[WackyW bike ride set for Sunday](#) – 9/3/13 ourcoloradonews.com

The third annual WackyW bike ride is Sept. 8. The one-day event is a fundraiser for Douglas County schools, and a family-friendly celebration of health and wellness.

[Aspen View Academy classes begin](#) – 9/3/13 ourcoloradonews.com

Castle Rock charter opens with 650 uniformed students.

[School briefs](#) – 9/3/13 ourcoloradonews.com

The Douglas County School District Accountability Committee will host a school board candidate forum from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Sept. 12 at Douglas County High School.



Mark Your Calendar

September 10, 2013

District Accountability Committee (DAC) Forum

TIME: 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

LOCATION: Mountain Ridge Middle School, 10590 Mountain Vista Ridge, Highlands Ranch 80126

September 12, 2013

DCSD DAC Board of Education Candidate Forum

TIME: 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

LOCATION: Douglas County High School, 2842 Front Street - Castle Rock 80104

September 17, 2013

Board of Education Meeting

TIME: 5:00 PM

LOCATION: DCSD Admin Building - Board Room, 3rd Floor, 620 Wilcox St., Castle Rock

Deadline:

September 15, 2013

The DAC is seeking applicants to fill one parent and one community member vacancy, as well as one newly created middle school teacher position. The [application](#) process closes on **Sunday, September 15, 2013**. If you have questions please contact Dorinda

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