

WEEKLY UPDATE FOR OCTOBER 28, 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

[Dougco school board should be nonpartisan](#) — 10/27/13 denverpost.com

GUEST COMMENTARY: We represent 16 former Douglas County Board of Education members with a combined 110 years of public service spanning 36 years. We disagree with Mike Rosen's support of the current board and its continued use of practices that we believe are incompatible with the responsibilities of public education.

[Exodus of teachers from Douglas County schools](#) — 10/26/13 denverpost.com

Re: "Douglas County School Board races expose deep divisions in community," Oct. 22 news story.

[Parents' real concerns in Douglas County School Board election](#) — 10/26/13 denverpost.com

Re: "Divisions in Douglas County School Board elections," Oct. 23 letters to the editor.

[Top law firms hired to handle campaign complaints](#) — 10/25/13 ourcoloradonews.com

Two high-powered law firms are representing the Douglas County School District and its fundraising arm in separate allegations of improper campaign-related activity in the contentious school-board race.

[Editorial: In Douglas County, election bringing out the worst](#) — 10/24/13

ourcoloradonews.com

Like it or not, mudslinging and animosity come with the territory during gubernatorial, Congressional and presidential campaigns. Often, mayoral and state legislative races can also become mired in such muck. That can rarely be said about a school board contest.

[Event to highlight STEM for girls](#) — 10/24/13 ourcoloradonews.com

Launched earlier this year, STEM Ventures has already reached over 500 middle and high school students in the Denver metro area, working to get them excited about careers in science, technology, engineering and math.

[Candidate alleges campaign violation](#) — 10/23/13 ourcoloradonews.com

A Douglas County School Board candidate is accusing the district of violating the state's Fair Campaign Practices Act, an allegation the board's vice president said is frivolous and unfounded.

[Douglas County Election Roundup](#) — 10/22/13 yourhub.denverpost.com

This page contains candidate profiles, stories and letters for all Douglas County School District, Castle Pines and Littleton races. A map of ballot drop-off locations is at the bottom of the page. The page will be updated as new information becomes available.

[School district's ranking stirs contention](#) — 10/22/13 ourcoloradonews.com

School district leaders say there's confusion surrounding a change in the Douglas County School District's state rating — one that's become a hot-button issue in the current school board campaign.

[Douglas County School Board races expose deep divisions in community](#) — 10/22/13 denverpost.com

A fractious race for four seats on the Douglas County School Board has showcased deep divisions over how the 64,000-student district is run and lured heavyweight national advocates for each side.

[Snapshots of Douglas County school board candidates](#) — 10/21/13 denverpost.com

Eight candidates are seeking four seats on the school board for the Douglas County School District in the election Nov. 5. The Denver Post sent questionnaires to each candidate. Here are their responses.



## Mark Your [Calendar](#)

### November 5, 2013

**Board of Education Meeting**

**TIME:** 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

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

### November 5, 2013

**Election Day**

## 2013 Election

### Board of Education

On October 15, ballots were mailed to active registered voters in Douglas County for the November 5 election. If an active voter has not received a ballot by Tues., Oct. 22, they may request a replacement ballot by contacting the Elections Division until Monday, Oct. 28. After Oct. 28 voters must visit one of the [Voter Service and Polling Centers](#) to obtain a ballot or replacement ballot.

\*Registration is open to all new Colorado citizens who have resided in Colorado for at least 22 days prior to Election Day.

\*Inactive voters must update their voter registration in order to receive a ballot.

\*The last day to register to vote or update information *on-line* is Monday, October 28.

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