Options Monday Memo

Sep 29, 2025



Upcoming Dates - Mark your calendar		
September 24 - October 8	October Count Window - see below for details	

Useful Websites & Resources			
PSD Options Website	PSD Options Calendar	<u>Course Grid</u>	
<u>Lunch Menu</u>	<u>Breakfast Menu</u>	<u>SchoolPay</u>	

Clarifying Behavior Expectations

We want to clarify a couple expectations regarding behavior when attending PSD Options. We know that many students attend with siblings, cousins, or other family members in which they may engage in certain behaviors including horseplay, wrestling, practical jokes, giving noogies, etc. We want to emphasize that these behaviors should not take place at PSD Options, as other students that observe these interactions may then assume that these behaviors are acceptable at school. To be clear, these behaviors are not acceptable at PSD Options. All students should feel welcome and safe at school. As some students have struggled with appropriate behavior, I have been explicit in saying that we should not be placing hands on others at any time for any reason. This could be a good reminder for all, so please take a moment to have a conversation with your child(ren) to remind them about acceptable behavior.

October Count (Important)

The State of Colorado uses attendance records from September 24th-October 8th to determine how to allocate funding to schools and programs. Please make every effort to ensure that your child attends PSD Options on the dates in the table below:

Monday Program	Friday Program
September 29, 2025	September 26, 2025
October 6, 2025	October 3, 2025

Some of you have shared that you have an absence that cannot be avoided on one of these dates, and we appreciate the heads up as it allows us to proactively gather other attendance data for your child to support funding of our program.

Options Movie Fundraiser

Your student(s) are invited to stay after school on October 3, 2025 to watch How to Train Your Dragon. The movie will start directly after school and pickup is at 5:30. For a school fundraiser we will be selling snacks.

Promote PSD Options!

If you have friends or neighbors in the homeschool community, please feel free to share about PSD Options. Look for social media messages soon and share with your community!

General Notes for PSD Options:

- **School Meals:** PSD Options students are not eligible for free breakfast or lunch despite the passage of the Colorado Healthy School Meals for All ballot issue. The costs are \$2.50 for breakfast and \$5.00 for lunch. Payment can be made via SchoolPay.
- Building Map: To help your child know where to go at drop-off, here is a map that shows the
 main entrance and crosswalk. All students will enter through the main entrance and proceed to
 the gym for breakfast or to their classrooms.
- Pick-up & Drop-off: Review this document before dropping off or picking up your child. Our school day ends at 4:00pm and you should arrive to pick up your student no later than 4:15pm. If an unusual circumstance arises that may delay your pick-up, please call the school at 970.488.4600 to give us notice. Our staff do finish their workday at 4:15pm, so timely pick-up is appreciated.
- **Absences:** Call our attendance line at 970.488.4601 to let us know! Please keep in mind that since Options is an enrichment program, we tend to be more flexible on attendance.
- Attendance letters: If you have received a letter or notification about your child's attendance at PSD Options this year, those messages were sent in error. The district has shifted to an automated process for sending these letters electronically, and with our program only meeting once a week it is easier for students to reach the threshold upon which the letter is sent. We are trying to work with the district to turn this automation off for PSD Options, but if you have already received a letter or if you receive one in the future, please know that it was unintended and sent in error. Thanks for your understanding!