Mountain Phoenix
Community School

Mountain Phoenix in a Nutshell

Mission

Through a dynamic curriculum based on the Core Principles of Public Waldorf Education, the mission of Mountain Phoenix Community School is to cultivate each student's capacity for creative thinking, effective communication, and interest in others that inspires thoughtful, responsible action in the 21st century world.

Vision

The vision of Mountain Phoenix Community School is to prepare students to lead in the world as **resourceful, courageous, and compassionate** global citizens who will take initiative to bring healthy change to their communities through conscious, informed, and independent thinking while empowering others to do the same.

Early Childhood Program

Preschool

- **PK 3 and PK4 FULL DAY.** Mon-Fri 8:15-3:15 (Fridays 1:15)
- **PK 3 and PK4 HALF DAY.** Mon-Fri 8:15-12:15
- **PK3 MON, WED, FRI.** 8:15-3:15 (Fridays 1:15)
- **PK3 TUES, THURS.** 8:15-3:15

Kindergarten

- **FULL DAY.** 8:00-1:30pm / state-funded
- **Optional Napping House.** 1:30-3:15 pm (No Fridays)

*Tuition and Fees can be found on our website

Lower & Upper School Programs:

- **Gates Open at 7:45am**
- **Lower School Grades 1-5**
  - Classroom open at 8:05am
  - Start of Day: 8:15am
  - End of Day: 3:30pm
- **Upper School Grades 6-8**
  - Start of Day: 8:00am
  - End of Day: 3:30pm
- **Student Fees and Program Details can be found on the Website**

After School Programs:

- MPCS Beforecare: 7:30 am
- YMCA Aftercare: 3:15-6:00 pm Ages 4+
- After School Enrichment Programs available throughout the week
- Campus Closes: 4:00 pm

Time in Nature/Field Trips

Nature is Essential!

- As part of the curriculum, students spend ample time in NATURE
- Weekly creek walks start in Kindergarten and continue through the grades with different frequencies
- Overnight Field Trips start in 3rd Grade culminating in a 8th Grade Trip
- Minimize screen time, maximize human interaction

Festival and Community Life

- Every day is a celebration!
- As mentioned by our Director's, community participation is essential.
- The magic of our school is co-created with our families, making our students' journey all the more vibrant.
- Ask Families to volunteer 40+ Hours per school year. An engaged parent/caregiver makes for a more engaged student.

Foundational Principles

- Core Values of Public Waldorf Education
- Education for the whole child - Head, Heart and Hands
  - (Thinking, Feeling, Willing)
- Learning in Harmony with Child Development
- An education that prepares students for life developing of LOVE for learning

Curriculum and Learning

- Why Waldorf?
- Academics are introduced with a sense of wonder; covering Common Core
- Arts and imagination woven into every subject
- Storytelling, not just textbooks
- Hands-on, experiential learning

Student Support Services

- **We are a GenEd School where we serve students with “Mild” to “Moderate” needs. These include:**
  - Individualized Education Plans (IEPs)
  - Advanced Learning Plans (ALPs)
  - 504s
  - MTSS - Multi-tiered Student Support
  - Services are available for Kindergarten-Grade 8
- **We do not have means to accommodate:**
  - Students looking for a Gifted and Talented Center
  - Students with needs greater than Mild to Moderate

Safety and Security

Safety is our # 1 Priority

- Gated Campus - 2 points of access at 8:15am until end of day
- Campus-wide camera system
- Our School Safety and Response Team works closely with Jeffco Safety and Security
- Strong partnerships with neighbors, community and Wheat Ridge Police
- All teachers and staff participate in mandatory Jeffco Trainings

How to Enroll?

- 1st Round Enrollment Applications can be submitted between December 1st and January 15th. Enrollment offers are sent out starting January 26th.
- Submit an application through EnrollJeffco
- Please upload student's Identity Documentation, Proof of Residency and Immunizations for ALL GRADES, Current General Health Appraisal for PK-K and all brand new students
- Refer to Enrollment Roadmap for details

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We are excited to welcome you to our community!

Click here for our family handbook