School-to-Parent Communication:
Loma Elementary has several ways to keep you informed.

One of the most important forms of communication is the automated dialing system. This system is used for upcoming events as well as attendance. When a student is not in attendance and a parent has not notified the school of the absence, Mrs. Grinolds will call to verify the student's absence. If she is unable to reach a parent or guardian, expect the auto dialer to call around 10:00 A.M.

The auto dialer will also call with messages regarding events and other important information.

ParentVUE, Peachjar, email, newsletters, classroom folders, PTA bulletin board and our website are all forms of communication that are used to keep you up-to-date with the events happening at Loma Elementary. You can access our website at http://loma.mes.k12.co.us/

Notes from the Office:
1. Students can be dropped off starting at 8:45 A.M. each morning.
2. Anytime your student is absent, please call the office at 970-254-6520 or email Mindy.Grianlds@d51schools.org before 9:00 A.M.
3. When picking up your student early, you will need to sign them out at the office.
4. Please supply a doctor’s note to excuse your student when they have had an appointment.

We will empower all students to have a growth mindset, set learning goals and persevere to become productive citizens in our society.
ATTENDANCE

School policy permits each student the privilege, within limits, to make arrangements in advance to be absent from school. However, certain criteria must exist prior to approval from the principal. Students must be in good academic standing and have a good attendance/tardiness record. Students who are not meeting this criteria may be denied a prearranged absence or absences. Loma Elementary is committed to serving our students and ensuring they are receiving a quality education. We appreciate your support of these criteria.

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Exciting News for D51 Families!

The US Department of Agriculture recently announced that they are extending their Free Meals for Kids program through the end of December 2020 or until available funding runs out. This means all students in District 51 can access healthy and nutritious breakfast and lunch at school for no additional cost. Effective Wednesday, September 2, all students at D51 schools will receive free breakfast and lunch, no matter the student's prior free, reduced, or full pay eligibility. Students will not have to present an ID to receive their meals.

We are excited for this news and hope that having accessible and healthy meals for all students will help increase student physical and mental health which will fuel successful learning.

To see what meals will be served, please visit our new online menus here: https://bit.ly/2YEDuSI

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Lunch Schedule by Grade Level:

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Visitors are not allowed at this time.
If you or your student are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, we encourage you to consult with your healthcare provider. COVID-19 symptoms are similar to the common cold, flu, and seasonal allergies. This makes it difficult for school staff to easily differentiate between these symptoms and COVID-19. The virus spread is most likely to occur when people are in close contact with one another (within about 6 feet) for at least 15 minutes.

The Mesa County’s community COVID-19 testing site is located at the Mesa County Fairgrounds. It is open Tuesday through Saturday from 8AM-3PM for individuals 3 years and older. No appointment is needed.

Symptoms of COVID-19 include:

- Fever or chills
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Muscle or body aches
- New loss of taste or smell
- Congestion or runny nose
- Diarrhea
- Cough
- Fatigue
- Headache
- Sore throat
- Nausea or vomiting

Si usted o su estudiante experimentan síntomas, le recomendamos que consulte con su médico. Los síntomas de COVID-19 son similares a los del resfriado común, la gripe y las alergias estacionales. Debido a que el personal de la escuela no puede diferenciar fácilmente entre estos síntomas y el COVID-19. Es más probable que la propagación del virus ocurra cuando las personas están en contacto cercano entre sí (a unos 6 pies) durante por lo menos 15 minutos.

En nuestra comunidad el lugar para tomar muestras está ubicado en Mesa County Fairgrounds y está abierto de martes a sábado de 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., para personas de 3 años en adelante. No necesita tener una cita.

Los síntomas de COVID-19 incluyen:

- Fiebre o escalofríos
- Falta de aire o dificultad para respirar
- Dolores musculares o de cuerpo
- Pérdida reciente del gusto o el olfato
- Congestión o secreción nasal(moqueo)
- Diarrea
- Tos
- Fatiga
- Dolor de cabeza
- Dolor de garganta
- Náuseas o vómitos