

Crossroads Connection

Crossroads School

August 2011

Embarking on Year Two

Praise God! We're Not Moving After All

The company that intended to move into our facility has changed their plans, so both the Journey church and Crossroads School are staying in our current location. We are grateful to God for providing this facility and to the Journey church for so generously sharing it with us. We're looking forward to great things as we expand to two classrooms.

Crossroads Continues to Grow

Last fall, we started with four students, and by the end of the school year we had eight. At this point, we have added a second class and teacher, and have eleven students enrolled already for the fall, in sixth through ninth grades! We anticipate adding additional students before school starts and as the year goes on, and making a difference in the lives of more young people. As we meet with parents, it's inspiring to see new hope in their eyes as they learn what we can offer their children!

Volunteers Needed

Relationships and individual attention are critical to success at Crossroads, and for this we are dependent on our volunteers to assist the teachers and provide extra hands and hearts in the classrooms, as well as behind the scenes. We are grateful to many of our volunteers who are returning this fall. Are you interested in joining them, and making an eternal difference? Talk to Barb Bulthuis (crossroadsinformation@yahoo.com; 303-709-9881) to find out more about these volunteer openings:

PE Teacher (one hour per week): Work with the classroom teachers to implement a challenging and fun physical education program one hour a week.

Interim Art Teacher (one hour per week, Aug/Sept): Our ace Art Teacher, Mrs. Bauman, is unable to begin teaching until October. Work with the classroom teachers to teach art classes one hour a week in August and September.

Classroom Aide (one-half day, one day, or more per week): Our classroom aides have the opportunity to build mentoring relationships with students as they assist with lessons, tutor students, hang out at break, and more.

Fundraising Dinner Coordinator: Use a provided plan to help coordinate and organize volunteers for our fundraising dinner in April.

Church Contact Coordinator: Help spread the word about Crossroads by making connections with churches, providing materials, and scheduling presentations.

Staff and School Board Updates

Therese Cass Joins Crossroads Staff

Mrs. Therese Cass has been hired as our second classroom teacher, and is busy learning the ropes and getting ready to start teaching English, history, and Bible classes in a couple of weeks! Mrs. Cass brings an extensive teaching background, including experience in K-12 classrooms and GED/Adult Education classes, workshops, tutoring, and teaching music. Mrs. Cass has done graduate work in Special Education at the University of Colorado in Colorado Springs and holds a bachelor's degree in Education from Concordia University and a master's degree in Language and Reading Education from the University of Indiana. Welcome, Mrs. Cass!

Food and Fellowship Fundraisers

Enjoy a meal and benefit Crossroads

Last fall we had a wonderfully-successful breakfast at Applebee's in Longmont, and we've decided to expand this program to offer a variety of options for different tastes. Check out the following, and join our staff and students for one or all of them! We'll look forward to serving you.

Applebee's Breakfast: Saturday, October 22, 8-10 am: Join us for a repeat of this great breakfast! Breakfast is \$7, and includes all-you-can-eat pancakes, sausage, juice, coffee, and tea served by Crossroads students.

Abbondanza Pizza: Sunday, November 13, 5-7 pm: \$30 buys a family pack of four small drinks, breadsticks, all-you-can-eat salads, and an 18-inch 2-topping pizza. Crossroads students will serve your meal with a smile!

Texas Roadhouse: Wednesday, February 22, 4-10 pm: Enjoy a meal with your family, and benefit Crossroads!

Chick-fil-A: Tuesday, March 20, 5-7:30 pm: Enjoy delicious chicken, and put your receipt in the Crossroads bucket. The school receives a percentage of the proceeds!

Support Crossroads

Your Donations Make a Difference

In order to make a Crossroads education available to all students who need it, tuition is kept to a minimum and covers only about 5% of our annual budget. The rest of the budget is funded by businesses and individuals like you who see the value of education for struggling students and who want to make a difference. With the growth of the school, our budget for this year requires us to raise approximately twice as much as last year. To become a financial partner, simply send a check to the school (1285 S. Fordham St., Longmont, CO 80503) or give a gift online at <http://crossroadslongmont.org/donate-now/>. We value your investment!

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