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Dear Creative Writing Community,

Welcome to the 2022-23 school year! Miranda and I are excited to get started working with your kids. We have an amazing group of visiting artists scheduled this year, as well as exciting collaborations with other art departments. We are proud of how our major continues to take advantage of the diverse talents and offerings of our students and community partners. Below you will find our schedule of CW events, so be sure to mark your calendars. We are still working on solidifying some of our performance opportunities for students, so we will have a few updates to what is below.

### **2022-23 CW Major Events**

- All-School Block Party and New CW Parent Meet-and-Greet: DSA South Campus, Saturday Sept. 24th, 1:30 p.m. Block Party will be from 2-5 p.m.
- Middle School/High School Open-mic Night: Thursday, Nov 17th, Concert Hall, 6 p.m.
- CW Middle School and Piano Collaborative Performance Event: Monday, Dec 12th, Concert Hall 7 p.m.
- HS Collaborative Performance Project: Still in process of scheduling! (Hoping for early February.)
- CW & Dance 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Collaborative Performance Project: Thursday and Friday, Feb 16th and 17th, Studio Dance Theatre, 7 p.m.
- Senior Projects: Thursday, March 23rd, Concert Hall, 7 p.m.
- All Major Overnight CW Retreat to La Foret: April 26th-27th (returning on the afternoon of the 27th)
- Senior Readings/Chapbook Signing. Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> (Specific location TBD) 6 p.m.

### **Fundraising:**

DSA is a unique school with unique needs. The actual cost of educating a DSA student with an extraordinary arts and academic education is beyond the funding that is provided by the district. In

order to fully fund DSA's nationally competitive arts and academics, we are faced with a gap. This year the financial "gap" that DSA faces is \$1500 per student for the school year.

DSA's Fill the Gap Campaign was launched in 2017, and all DSA parents were asked to come together to *Fill the Gap* with an unrestricted, tax-deductible contribution. Over the past 6 years this support has allowed DSA to provide quality educational programs in the arts and academics, capital improvements for DSA's unique needs, financial resources for low-income students, programming to increase Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, and more. A school-wide culture of philanthropy is essential to the success of our students and fulfilling our mission...and together we will be stronger!

Your support of the *Fill the Gap Campaign* at a level that fits your budget will help us reach our goal of 100% participation and is 100% tax deductible. Join the hundreds of DSA parents who are already supporting DSA through either a monthly or one-time donation.

Please click on or copy the link below to make a donation:

<https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/WebLink.aspx?name=E201119&id=40>

### **King Soopers Community Rewards Program:**

Thanks to everyone who has linked their King Soopers Rewards loyalty cards to our department through the Community Rewards Program. If you frequent King Soopers and haven't yet joined, the specific steps are below if you're interested. After the initial step of enrolling online and linking your loyalty card to our school account, this makes it even easier to help raise money for our department. These funds are a reliable source of additional income for us to purchase supplies and provide scholarships to students.

To Use the King Soopers or City Market Community Rewards Program:

Please visit: [www.kingsoopers.com](http://www.kingsoopers.com) and either log in or create an account, which requires some basic information, a valid email address, and a loyalty card (available free in all stores) to affiliate with your account. Once logged into your King Soopers or City Market account you can search for "Denver School of the Arts Creative Writing" either by name or input the code: **HU925** and then click Enroll. Please note that participants must swipe their registered King Soopers or City Market loyalty card or

use the phone number that is related to their registered King Soopers or City Market loyalty card when shopping for each purchase to count.

Miranda and I are thrilled to welcome your kids into our classrooms, share our love of writing and language, and continue to build the unique and special community that is DSA Creative Writing. Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions.

Sincerely,

Moss and Miranda