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## **Upcoming Events**

- March 14: Teacher Appreciation Day and St. Patrick's Celebrations
- March 17-21: Spring Break (School Closed)
- March 25: Board of Directors Meeting 4:30-6pm
- March 29: Parents' Night Out
- April 19: Free Parenting Class with Sarah Kahn

## What's New

### 2025-2026 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Did you see that the 2025-2026 calendar was released?

Download it today!

riverhousecci.org/calendar



## **FREE Parenting Class**

## Enrichment Classes

BLUEJAYS, FALCONS, & EAGLES Dance- March 13th Yoga- March 14th



### CIRCLE OF SECURITY

April 19th at 9:00-11:00 AM

Learn how to build secure attachment with your child in our special workshop! We'll learn to understand your child's emotional world, help your child manage their emotions, and enhance their selfesteem. Led by Sarah Kahn, therapist with the Early Childhood Council.

#### circleofsecurityinternational.com

Childcare available! Sign up sheet at the center. \$25 for 1 child, \$40 for 2 (cash at the event).





## From the Executive Director: Classroom Highlight

This month at Riverhouse we are highlighting our Eagles Pre-K class. Our Eagles are currently studying the planets. This unit is a favorite among the Eagles because they are very curious about their observations of the natural world. They are focusing on the characteristics of each planet, how stars make patterns called constellations, and how the Sun affects the Earth day and night. You should hear them sing their planets song!

One Eagle asked her mom what the biggest planet was, and her mom said the Sun. She said, "Mom, the Sun is a star! You need to go back to preschool! The biggest planet is Jupiter!" Several Eagles' parents have expressed expanded knowledge of the planets as a result of what they are learning from their Eagles, and now many families know the planets song, too!





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## From the Executive Director: Teacher Highlight

This month we are celebrating veteran teacher Kim Rabick, who has been at Riverhouse since 2011 and has served as the Eagles' interim lead teacher since October. Kim began teaching Kindergarten and 1st Grade at 9-R. She went back to school to study early childhood education and was impressed to learn that 90% of children's brains are developed by age 5! She decided to start working with Pre-K because she wanted to make a big impact at an early age to set them up for success later in life.

Kim enjoys working with the Eagles because of their curiosity, inventiveness, eagerness, and ability to learn. She loves watching their cognitive development and abilities as they take what is presented to them and individualize it. She also really appreciates the support she's experienced with our parents and has always been impressed with how invested they are.

Kim and her husband have been Durango residents since 1975. They have one daughter and son-in-law and four grandchildren! We are particularly grateful to Kim for leading our Eagles this year with Mikhaela, and we look forward to continuing to have Kim work with our children, families, and teachers at Riverhouse. Kim's creativity, classroom management, and sense of humor are remarkable, and I've loved collaborating with her this year. Thank you, Kim, for being YOU!



