



WPSD RE-2
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WPSD is Focused on Academic Success and Safety for all Students

Woodland Park, CO – 08/08/2023 - Woodland Park School District (WPSD) is thrilled to share that Columbine, Gateway, and Summit Elementary Schools, along with the Woodland Park Middle School and High School, have hired all the necessary teachers for general education classes from kindergarten to twelfth grade, so these schools are ready to welcome and support our students academically.

While we celebrate this accomplishment, we understand there is a nationwide shortage of special education teachers and support staff, which has made it challenging for us to fill the remaining open positions in our special education programs. Nevertheless, we assure you that we are committed to meeting this challenge head-on.

To address the shortage of special education professionals, we are putting extra effort into recruiting and retaining top talent. We are also collaborating with the Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) to offer bonuses as incentives for these roles and will contract additional support as needed.

As the new school year approaches, the WPSD Board of Education and the district are committed to achieving academic excellence and providing total opportunity for all students in our district. We will work with parents and guardians to ensure that every student in our district receives the best education possible, attending the school their families believe is the right fit for them. Safety also continues to be a top priority as we work with local and county law enforcement to ensure our students learn in a safe educational setting.

WPSD stands united in our mission to provide all students with the opportunities they need to reach their full potential. We are committed to creating a safe educational landscape laser-focused on our students' academic success.

About the Woodland Park School District Re-2

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