



# Newsletter

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## Gateway School's Mission:

To guide all students toward achieving their full potential in a safe and caring environment, that promotes a community of fearless learners.

We will soar, empowered by our personalized experiential learning.



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Greg Weckenbrock | OWL Lead Teacher

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Bells Barker | Seasonal OWL Instructor

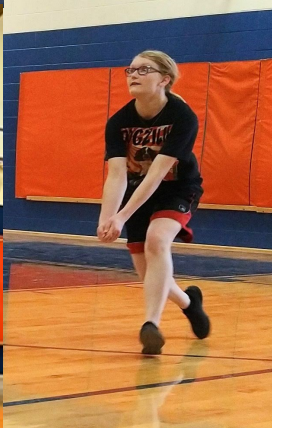
Sheridan Percell | OWL Student Intern/Seasonal Instructor

Ted Riley | Chef

## Upcoming EVENTS

- ◆ Nov.3—Teacher Planning (No School)
- ◆ Nov. 13 @ 11:30am—Family lunch with students—Happy Thanksgiving
- ◆ Nov. 17—End of OWL Fall Sessions (No School)
- ◆ Nov. 20-24—Fall Break
- ◆ Dec. 7 @ 6pm—Christmas Program (Gateway Community Center)
- ◆ Dec. 21—Last day of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter
- ◆ Dec. 25-Jan. 5—Winter Break (No School)
- ◆ Jan. 8—Teacher Work Day (No School)
- ◆ Jan. 15—Martin Luther King Jr. Day (No School)

# Volleyball with Pear Park



# Fire Awareness with GUSD



# Elementary Field Trip to Studt's

# GATEWAY SCHOOL

## Art Heritage



## Spirit Week



Dr. Doolittle and his Push Me, Pull You, Llama Assistant, stopped by to greet the students Halloween morning.



## Halloween Fun



# Hoot, Hoot

Greetings Gateway School Community!

I hope this fall has been OWLstanding for you! It's been a busy season for OWL, but a great one! This season, 422 middle school students from 9 middle schools attended OWL, while 39 teachers, 36 high school students, 40 nursing students from Colorado Mesa University, and 9 officers from Colorado Parks and Wildlife all attended OWL in support of the middle school students. It truly "takes a village" to create lifelong learning in OWL students, but when you see the impact it has on them, there's no doubt it's worth it!

The most remarkable group to impact these students though? The 6 middle level students from Mr. Brown's class at our very own Gateway School! They acted as trail guides for Wildlife Investigation and what a great job they did showing off their campus, their local knowledge of the flora and fauna, and just being outstanding kids to whom the OWL students could look up to and relate. Thank you Charley, Delanie, Eda, Isaac, Tyrel, and Roman! Thank you Mr. Brown! OWL wouldn't be the same without you!

Sincerely,

Greg "Wolf" Weckenbrock



*"You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream."*

*- C. S. Lewis*

