

Hi, families!

My name is Austin Hachmeister and I am the new Program Specialist for University Park's Discovery Link program. I wanted to send out a welcome e-mail with a few reminders to all families, as well as a little information about myself. I am very excited to be here and looking forward to the start of the school year. I cannot wait to meet you all!

*About me:* I'm originally from Minnesota and moved to the Denver area just shy of three years ago. I received a Bachelor's degree in Child Studies with a minor in Family Studies from Metropolitan State University (Saint Paul, MN). I have been working with youth for 9 years and 5 of those years have been with before & after school programming. Prior to Denver Public Schools, I was at Douglas County School District for 2.5 years as a Program Manager for their Before & After School (BASE) program. I am thrilled to be part of Discovery Link so I can continue to provide fun, enjoyable, quality enrichment programs to your kiddos. A few fun facts about me? I have a pet tortoise, I wouldn't mind joining a badminton league, and pizza is my absolute favorite food.

**Thanks for choosing Discovery Link and I am looking forward to an awesome 2018-2019!**

**DISCOVERY LINK REMINDERS:**

- AM Discovery Link hours are 6:30 am to 8:55 am
- PM Discovery Link hours are 3:45 pm to 6:00 pm
- AM drop-off / PM pick-up are fine at any time during these hours
- Staff will assist children in getting to their classes and coming down from their classes the first few weeks
- Entrance for Discovery Link is door #15 in the back of the school / on the black top by the playground
- School Care Works is the new check-in and check-out system! Remember to have your PIN # or app handy when dropping off or picking up your child (we will have a list of PINs near the parent table if you forget)
- **Enrichment classes start 9/10, registration will open 8/28 at 10 am:** Use your current School Care Works account to sign up if interested, no need to create a new one!

**HELPFUL LINKS:**

<http://uparkelementary.org/parent-resources/neighborhood-center/>  
[www.schoolcareworks.com/login.jsp](http://www.schoolcareworks.com/login.jsp)

Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or just to say hi! I will send out another e-mail next week with more details and a daily schedule of activities. Enjoy the weekend and the rest of summer break!

Best,

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