

come explore with us

Transform and strengthen your child's educational experience by joining us at Big Thompson Elementary. You can learn more about the school, staff, and programs by:

- Scheduling a tour **970.613.5600** or
- Visiting **www.BigThompsonElementary.org**



our mission

Students at the Big Thompson Elementary School of Nature and Science obtain a well-rounded, in-depth, relevant education integrating basic skills through a broad curriculum with a science and nature focus.

"Without fail, this school has been recommended by people throughout the community as the best elementary school in Loveland with a top-notch staff. I did my research and weighed our options...and decided it was in our daughter's best interest to attend Big T. She's getting a five-star introduction to the lifetime of education that awaits her."

—Jennifer Hooks, parent



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"Study nature...

Love nature...

Stay close to nature...

It will never fail you."

—Frank Lloyd Wright



a unique educational pathway

"We cherish our school, the sense of community it provides, the closeness all the students and parents feel, and most importantly, the role the teachers and principal play in providing a feeling of acceptance and academic excellence." —Julie Patton, parent



a journey that transforms

Big Thompson Elementary is an innovative, focus-based public school in the Thompson R2-J school district that delivers experiential learning opportunities for kids in kindergarten through 5th grade.

Located just a few miles from the

stunning Big Thompson Canyon, the school offers unmatched natural science exposure and curriculum designed to equip students with critical thinking skills necessary for success in the 21st century. Students not only acquire a comprehensive, quality education, they also learn to value the natural environment through:

Recycling and Composting—All students actively participate in our innovative worm composting and recycling programs, which have helped reduced the school's lunch waste by two-thirds.

Natural Exploration—Unique environmental learning opportunities include specialized field trips and focused experiences. Students in all grades also cooperatively maintain the school's garden.

"Big T offers a unique environment—totally Colorado. It's the perfect place to teach our future leaders to respect our environment and to learn how to coexist with nature. As soon as we walked through the door, we knew we were 'home.'"

—Jim & Karen Pierro, parents

When you choose Big Thompson Elementary, you can expect your child's learning experience to include:

- **Quality education** in a school that consistently scores high on standard achievement tests.
- **A secure and welcoming environment** that cultivates caring and respectful students.
- **Passionate, skilled staff** who are dedicated to integrating nature and science into the classroom and exposing students to outdoor experiences.
- **Enhanced programming and staff training** made possible by strategic partnerships with Rocky Mountain National Park, Larimer County Natural Resources Department, CSU Environmental Learning Center, and the Colorado Division of Wildlife.
- **A rich variety of enrichment opportunities**, including after-school Fun Club programs, Green Week, Science Day, Community Science Nights, and Backyard Expeditions Summer Camps.



"I love Big T because it blends old-fashioned values with the latest teaching techniques. The entire staff is caring, respectful, kind, and honest. This school develops not only great students but also exemplary citizens." —Shelley Keating, parent