

Odyssey ECCO News

September 2021

Upcoming Events

Labor Day – D11 No School September 6th

Labor Day – PPCC Campus

Campus Closed - No School September 6th Campus Open - No Classes September 7th

PPCC Drop Date

On Campus Courses September 8th

Odyssey ECCO Open House

September 9th 5:00 – 6:30 pm

SAC Meeting

September 13th 6:30 – 7:30 pm

PPCC Drop Date

Off Campus Courses September 14th

CTSO Leadership Kickoff Event September 15th

D11 Professional Development Day No Students September 20th



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Main Office & Attendance 719-328-2020

> **<u>Registrar</u>** 719-328-2025

Counseling 719-328-2088

<u>Fax</u> 719-328-2029

Message from Principal Norman...

Greetings Odyssey ECCO Students and Families,

It is hard to believe we have completed three weeks of school! I am pleased with our solid start, despite the obstacles in our way. We were happy to be able to host the "freshman and new student's" first-day event sponsored by the Odyssey ECCO Link Crew and even managed to squeeze in the "Freshman Only" dance. Odyssey ECCO is making an effort to bring back that "normal" school experience where it is reasonably possible. We are also committed to providing a rigorous academic experience that provides students access to college courses.

Here are few reminders for the weeks ahead:

- Clubs will be starting next week. Please check out the website for club meeting times.
- Tutoring support will be available in two forms this school year.
 - 1) Tutoring club will be offered after school from 3:00 pm- 4:00 pm, Monday- Thursday. This type of tutoring is for general support.
 - 2) Direct one on one or small group tutoring will offer specific academic support. Per teacher agreement, this type of tutoring can be requested. Tutoring will be delivered via WebEx after school or during evening hours. Students/families can make the request using this form link: <u>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScmF-</u> nFgcWBpJL2Ssun4V3a1piSGClbF3ybJfD8KBWpGxw2Sg/viewform.

If possible, please allow 24-48 hours for teachers to make arrangements for tutoring.

- The RJWAC open house is scheduled for Thursday, September 9th, from 5:00 pm- 6:30 pm. Please be on the lookout for fliers via email.
- We will be holding our first School Accountability Meeting on September 13th, from 6:30pm 7:30 pm via Webex. You can join us using <u>this meeting link</u>.

Thank you for your continued support and trust in Odyssey Early College and Career Options. We know we are still treading in unknown waters and fully appreciate the help and willingness to work together. Student achievement and academic growth are our goals, and without your backing, we would not be able to offer these unique and exciting opportunities.

Best, ban Norman

Sean Norman Principal Odyssey Early College and Career Options

BEHIND THE SCENES

FALL 2021 CLUB SCHEDULE

Day of the Week	Club	Teacher	Time	Location
Monday	Tutoring	Ms. Weeks	3:00 - 4:00	Room 207
Tuesday	FCCLA	Ms. Friesema & Ms. Aragon	7:45 – 1:30 1 st Week of the Month During Class	Room 154
	Speech and Debate	Ms. Weeks	3:00 - 4:00	Room 207
	Art & Expression Club	Mr. Lessig & Ms. Humphries	3:00 - 4:00	Room 225 or 206
	Future Farmers of America (FFA) Agriculture	Dr. Owino	4:00 – 5:00 Sept 7 th – Nov 9 th Martian Greenhouse Project	Room 41
	Tutoring	Ms. Lord	3:00 - 4:00	Room 204
Wednesday	FCCLA	Ms. Friesema & Ms. Aragon	7:45 – 1:30 1 st Week of the Month During Class	Room 154
	Business Ethics Club	Dr. Clayton	3:00 - 4:00	Room 209 & WebEx
	GSA	Ms. Weeks	3:00 - 4:00	Room 207
	Games Club	Mr. Berry & Ms. Humphries	3:00 - 4:00	Room 202 or 225
	Tutoring	Ms. Banfield	3:00 - 4:00	Room 205
Thursday	Journalism	Ms. Banfield	3:00 - 5:00	Room 205
	Student Council	Mr. Beretta	3:00 - 4:00	Room 223
	Speech and Debate	Ms. Weeks	3:00 - 4:00	Room 207
	Tutoring	Ms. Lord	3:00 - 4:00	Room 204
	Tutoring	Ms. Humphries	3:00 – 4:00	Room 225
	Tutoring	Mr. Lessig	3:00 - 4:00	Room 206
Friday	National Honor Society	Mr. Berry	1:00 - 2:45	Room 202
	Link Crew	Ms. Lord	Lunch and 1:05-2:45	Room 204
	First Generation Club (Every other Friday)	Ms. Everette	3:00 - 4:00	Room 253
	Future Farmers of America (FFA) Agriculture	Dr. Owino	3:00 - 4:00	Room 41
	Tutoring	Ms. Dallam	3:00 - 4:00	Room 252

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US Multicultural History

In the month of September, students will learn the processes to analyze and annotate primary and secondary sources by completing their first DBQ (Document Based Question). Students will have opportunities to work with classmates to complete their first project, discuss the Revolutionary War, the Declaration of Independence, and US Constitution. Students have access to the course calendar for their textbook reading assignments. Parents who would like an electronic copy of the Syllabus and course calendar may contact. Ms. Lord via email at suzanne.lord@d11.org.



SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE (SAC)

Parent and students, please join us for the School Accountability Committee meeting Monday, September 13, at 6:30 p.m., via WebEx. The SAC meeting is a great place to receive information about Odyssey ECCO. The SAC meetings consist of items of interest such as, the review of Odyssey ECCO financial reports, the analysis of overall student achievement data, goals for the future and other topics. You will find the link on the Odyssey ECCO web page in the Event Calendar. <u>https://www.d11.org/Domain/57</u> We look forward to seeing you there!



Join from the meeting link:

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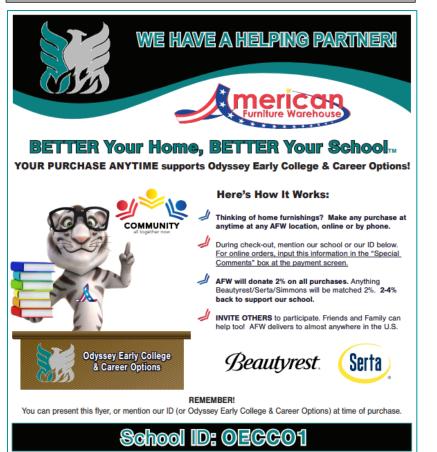
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<u>Spanish – Mrs. Dallam</u>

The Value of Spanish in the Workplace

Dan Woog, Monster Contributing Writer

The Value of Spanish in the Workplace

You're an international banker, marketing manager or production supervisor. You call a colleague, supervisor or supplier in Latin America or Spain. The only foreign word you know is hola, but when the receptionist answers the phone speaking rapid-fire Spanish, you don't panic. You ask to be transferred to Mr. So-and-So. "Just a minute, sir. I'll put you through," the receptionist responds in perfect English.

With Americanized English the common tongue for much of the industrialized world, knowing a second language might seem as useless as learning Morse code. However, executive recruiters and hiring personnel say North Americans who speak Spanish can do far more than chat up Latino receptionists. Bilingual skills help job seekers land work. They can lead to key assignments and pay raises. In some cases, they may even be a job requirement.

Bilingual Means Feeling Comfortable and Productive

According to the January 2005 Korn/Ferry International Executive Recruiter Index, 88 percent of executive recruiters say the ability to speak more than one language is critical to international business success. Seventynine percent of North American recruiters cited Spanish as the additional language most in demand by employers. French was next at 43 percent, followed by Mandarin Chinese (30 percent).

"If I send US nationals into another country, I want them to acclimate and assimilate quickly," says Tom Birmingham, Korn/Ferry's managing director of global accounts. "Sure, in certain areas of Latin America they can get around OK without knowing Spanish, but personally and professionally I want them to feel comfortable."

Birmingham notes that an employee who can navigate a foreign environment with ease will probably be both happier and more productive than one who cannot. From a business standpoint, speaking another person's native language helps win trust.

"Global companies look at people who have global skills," Birmingham says. "And the ability to speak other languages, especially Spanish, is a global skill."

Not Just Global

Spanish-speaking ability is also important in the US. Birmingham recently drove through the Atlanta suburb of Norcross and estimates 70 percent of the billboards were in Spanish. "It's not just California and Texas anymore," he says. "Throughout the Southeast, more and more people are speaking Spanish." They come to work in agriculture and manufacturing, which translates into job opportunities for bilingual managers and supervisors.

Customer service operations are also hiring bilingual workers. From clerks at the Department of Motor Vehicles to call center representatives to supervisors in the hospitality industry, the growth of Spanish speakers as both customers and workers means more demand for bilingual customer service. According to the Society for Human Resource Management, up to 20 percent of call center companies' staffs are bilingual. Salaries vary depending on additional skills required, but some call centers pay bilingual workers 50 cents to a dollar more per hour.

The Korn/Ferry survey showed the greatest need for bilingual employees is in the consumer services sector, particularly banking, retail and telecommunications. Bilingual executives are most frequently needed in marketing, sales and general management and to serve as president or CEO.

The Cultural Shift

The rise of bilingualism represents a cultural shift for many Americans. "We're not a multilingual country," Birmingham says. "A lot of students take another language because they have to, to graduate." However, he sees a shift in attitude, particularly among people who want to work in the global economy. "If you see yourself doing work internationally or going into banking or trade or any other business where you'll travel, you'll take Spanish more seriously," Birmingham says.

Spanish-speaking job seekers can do more than simply highlight their language ability on a resume, Birmingham says. One suggestion: Offer to conduct a job interview in Spanish, which shows you're confident and assertive.

Keep in mind both English and Spanish may one day be less relevant in the global marketplace. According to the Information Please database, 329 million people now speak Spanish as a first language, and 328 million speak English. However, more than 1.2 billion people speak Mandarin Chinese.





- Meet Your Students Teachers
- Tour Club Tables
- Food Trucks will be available to purchase food
 - Rita's Italian Ice
 - El Chapin
 - <u>Ricky's Island Café</u>
 - Susanna's Comfort Cuisine



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COUNSELING

Counseling Center - 719-328-2088

Katrina Everette

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Important Dates & Events

Upper-Classman Friday Friday, September 3, 2021 2:15 – 2:45 pm

PPCC Drop Date **On Campus Courses** Wednesday, September 8, 2021

Odyssey ECCO Open House Thursday, September 9, 2021 5:00 - 6:30 pm

First Gen Club Friday, September 10, 2021 3:00 – 3:45 pm

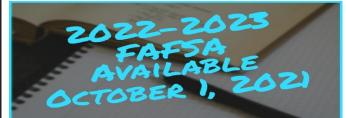
PPCC Drop Date **Off Campus Courses** Tuesday, September 14, 2021

2022-2023 FAFSA Application Opens Tuesday, October 1, 2021

Colorado Free Application Day\$

In 2021, Colorado's Free Application Day is growing to become "Free Application Day\$"! You can apply for **<u>FREE</u>** at Colorado's 32 public colleges and universities and several private institutions. Tuesday, October 19, 2021- Thursday, October 21, 2021

ASVAB - (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) Monday, October 7, 2021 Please contact your counselor if you are interested in signing up.



STRESS TIPS

Mr. Dowdle - Odyssey ECCO School Social Worker

Try a few of these when you're feeling anxious or stressed (see it any can work for you):

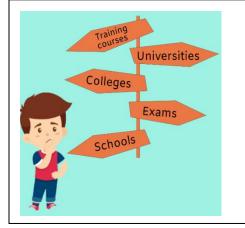
- Take a time-out. Practice yoga, listen to music, meditate, get a massage, or learn relaxation techniques. Stepping back from the problem helps clear your head.
- Eat well-balanced meals. Do not skip any meals. Do keep healthy, energy-boosting snacks on hand.
- Limit caffeine, which can aggravate anxiety and trigger panic attacks.
- Get enough sleep. When stressed, your body needs additional sleep and rest.
- ٠ **Exercise daily** to help you feel good and maintain your health.
- Take deep breaths. Inhale and exhale slowly.
- Count to 10 slowly. Repeat, and count to 20 if necessary.
- Do your best. Instead of aiming for perfection, which isn't possible, be proud of however close you get.
- Accept that you cannot control everything. Put your stress in perspective: Is it really as bad as you think?
- Welcome humor. A good laugh goes a long way.
- Maintain a positive attitude. Make an effort to replace negative thoughts with positive ones.
- Get involved. Volunteer or find another way to be active in your community, which creates a support network and gives you a break from everyday stress.
- Learn what triggers your anxiety. Is it work, family, school, or something else you can identify? Write in a journal when you're feeling stressed or anxious, and look for a pattern.
- Talk to someone. Tell friends, family, or trusted school staff when you're feeling overwhelmed, and let them know how they can help you.

ASVAB Testing

- > Open to any interested Junior or Senior.
- October 7 at 8:00 in room 253.
- > See Mrs. Everette to sign up.



COUNSELING



Announcing the First Gen Club!

Mrs. Everette, Mrs. Gandy, and Mrs. Fowler will be hosting a First Gen Club. This club is open to all, but is specifically focused on First Generation and under-represented/minority students. We will be exploring a variety of topics, including: applying to college, surviving your first year of college, financial aid, common pitfalls and obstacles first gen students face, etc. Our first meeting will be held

Friday, Sept. 10 from 3:00-3:45 in room 253.

See Mrs. Everette or Mrs. Gandy in room 276 for more details.

<u>Scholarship Info</u>

 Quest Bridge National College Match

 Match Scholarship Recipients are granted early admission to one of QuestBridge's college partners with a full four-year scholarship, worth over \$200,000.

 Please see your counselor for a referral

 Application Deadline:

 September 28, 2021

 https://www.questbridge.org/high-school-students/national-college-match

Boettcher Scholarship

Covers the cost of a scholar's tuition, fees and books for eight semesters/12 quarters at approved Colorado four-year universities or colleges! <u>Application Deadline:</u> November 1, 2021 by 5:00 pm <u>https://boettcherfoundation.org/colorado-scholarships/</u>

Daniels Fund Scholarship

Provides a four-year annually renewable college scholarship for graduating high school seniors in Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming who demonstrate exceptional character, leadership, and a commitment to serving their communities. It is a **"last dollar"** scholarship that pays toward tuition and fees, room and board, books and supplies, and miscellaneous educational expenses.

<u>Application Window:</u> October 1 - November 15, 2021 <u>https://www.danielsfund.org/scholarships</u>

Additional scholarship resources:

Odyssey Counseling Website https://www.dll.org/Page/6382

<u>Naviance</u> <u>https://succeed.naviance.com/district/scholarshipsmain/scholarships.php</u>

PPCC Scholarship Search

 $\underline{https://ppcc.scholarships.ngwebsolutions.com/scholarx_scholarshipsearch.aspx}$

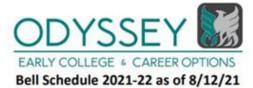
The Denver Foundation https://denverfoundation.academicworks.com/

African American Youth Leadership Conference (AAYLC)

https://www.aaylc-co.org/scholarships



BELL SCHEDULE



Mondays

Staff PLC	7:30	8:30		
Staff PD	8:30	9:30		
Period 1	9:30	10:02		
Period 2	10:06	10:38		
Period 3	10:42	11:14		
Period 4	11:18	11:50	Lunch	
Period 5 A	11:50	12:53	11:50	12:21
Period 5 B	11:50	12:53	12:21	12:53
Period 6	12:57	1:30		
Period 7	1:34	2:07		
Period 8	2:11	2:46		

Finals Week	Bell Schedule
Sem 1	Sem 2
12/13/21-	05/23/22-
12/17/21	05/25/22
TBD	TBD

Tuesday-Friday

Period 1 & 5	7:30	9:05		
Period 2 & 6	9:10	10:45	Lunch	
Period 3A & 7B	10:50	1:00	12:00	12:30
Period 3A & 7B	10:50	1:00	12:30	1:00
Period 4 & 8	1:05	2:46		

Alternating Blocks: Tuesday-Friday						
Tuesday & Thursday	Wednesday & Friday					
Periods 1-4	Periods 5-8					

Two Hour Delay Bell Schedule

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11:50	12:20
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Note:

This schedule is subject to change based on El Paso Country and D11 Covid guidance.

Career Pathways 2021-2022

Monday	Time	Tuesday	Time	Thursday	Time		
PLC	7:30-8:30	Block 1	7:30-10:50	Block 1	7:30-10:50		
PD	8:30-9:30	(Per. 1-2)	7.50-10.50	(Per. 1-2)	7.30-10.30		
Block 1 (Per. 1-2)	9:30-10:38	Lunch	11:40-12:15	Lunch	11:40-12:15		
Per. 4	11:18-11:50	Per. 4	1:15-2:45	Per. 4	1:15-2:45		
Lunch	11:50-12:20	Wednesday	Time	Friday	Time		
Block 2 (Per. 5-6)	12:20-1:30	Block 2	7:30-10:50	Block 2	7.20 10.50		
Per. 8	2:11-2:45	(Per. 5-6)	7:50-10:50	(Per. 5-6)	7:30-10:50		
		Lunch	11:40-12:15	Lunch	11:40-12:15		
		Per. 8	1:15-2:45	Per. 8	1:15-2:45		
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DISTRICT CALENDAR

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1st Semester 2021

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2/17 End of 2nd Quarter (39 days)

November

No Students

11/11 Veteran's Day Observed -

11/22 - 11/26 Thanksgiving Break

School in session

2/17 End of 1st Semester (81 days) 2//20 - 12/31 Winter Break (teachers) 2/20 - 1/4 Winter Break (Students) 2/25 Christmas Day

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[] =No Students -(Conferences (2),Data Collaboration Days (2), District/Bidg. (1), Teacher Work (5), Prof Development (4) (may Include in-service, data analysis, team planning, data entry, etc.) = Schools Closed

[= Beginning of Quarter,] = End of Quarter

COLORADO SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT 11 2021-2022

January

1/1 New Year's Day 1/3 Prof. Dev. Day - No Students (ES 1/2 Work Day, 1/2 Prof. Dev.) 1/4 Teacher Work Day - No Students 1/5 Students Return 1/17 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day-District Closed

February

2/21 Presidents' Day-District closed

March

- 3/4 End of 3rd Quarter (41 days)
- 3/7 Teacher Work Day-No Students
- 3/8 Data Collaboration Day -
- No Students
- 3/9 Beginning of 4th Quarter
- 3/21 3/25 Spring Break

April

May

5/20 End of 4th Quarter ES (47 days) 5/20 End of 2nd Sem. ES (89 days) if additional days are not required 5/23 Teacher Work Day ES 5/25 End of 4th Qrt MS/HS (51 days) 5/25 End of 2nd Sem. MS/HS (92 days)

if additional days are not required

5/26 Teacher Work Day MS/HS

5/30 Memorial Day

June

15/16 18/19 June Su M Tu W Th F Sa 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30

High School Graduation Dates

5/17 Mitchell HS 9am, Palmer HS 3pm - World Arena 5/18 Doherty HS 9am, Coronado HS 3pm - World Arena

Alternative High Schools - Roy J. Wasson Campus:

5/19 Achieve 9am , Tesla 1pm 5/20 Odyssey HS 9am , Bijou 1pm

6/ 2 Adult Education 7pm

All school schedules may be adjusted for final exams, state required testing and graduation.

2nd Semester 2022

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A LOOK AHEAD

OCTOBER

- 10/01/2021 Official Count Day
- 10/01/2021 FAFSA Opens for Students to Complete for 2022-2023 School Year
- 10/04/2021 Picture Make-Up Day
- 10/04/2021 School Accountability Committee Night (ALL staff and parents welcome), 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- 10/04/2021 PSAT 8/9 Testing (Tentative)
- 10/07/2021 ASVAB Testing
- 10/13/2021 National Merit Testing
- 10/14/2021 End of 1st Quarter
- 10/15/2021 Teacher Work Day No Students
- 10/18/2021 PPCC Spring Registration Opens for all students (Spring)
- 10/18/2021 Data Collaboration Day (No Students)
- 10/19/2021 Beginning of 2nd Quarter
- 10/19-21/2021 2021 Colorado Free College Application Days
- 10/27/2021 Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 10/28/2021 Parent/Teacher Conferences (No School)
- 10/29/2021 Parent/Teacher Conference make-up day or teacher comp day (No School)

