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## **MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL...**

Greetings Odyssey ECCO Families,

It has been a fantastic start to the 2018-2019 school year! We truly thank you for entrusting your student's education with us. Freshman's first day and the return of all upperclassman has been full of energy and excitement. Not to mention, all our off-campus PPCC students start their classes on Monday the 24<sup>th</sup>. Odyssey ECCO looks forward to working with you, to ensure the success of all our students.

Speaking of working together, parents/guardians, if you have not updated your child's information in Parent Connect, there still is time. It is highly important for us to confirm we have the most up to date information about your students, so we can effectively communicate and serve your student's needs. Please take the time to complete this, if you haven't. Please use this link to access the Parent Connect: [tinyurl.com/y7ruoize](http://tinyurl.com/y7ruoize) (See article below)

Off-campus students, don't forget that we are now offering a bus route (#163) leaving from the RJWAC campus to PPCC at 7:30 am. and returning to the RJWAC at 2:00 pm. Bus route 163 runs Monday-Thursday and will still run and pick up on the following dates when PPCC is open and D11 is not:

Oct. 24 (Parent/Teacher Conference)

Nov. 12 (Veteran's Day)

Nov. 19 & 20 (Thanksgiving Break)

Jan. 21 (MLK Jr. Day)

Feb. 18 (President's Day)

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***MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL, CONTINUED...***

Here is a quick look at things to come in September:

9/3/2018—Labor Day – PPCC Closed

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9/4/2018—Data Collaboration Day – (No Students)

9/4/2018—PPCC open, **BUT NO CLASSES**

9/7/2018—PPCC No Show Date (PPCC Campus)

9/7/2018—Coffee House, 5:00-7:30 p.m., Black Box Theater

**9/7/2018—Morning Coffee with the Principal (Parents) 7:30-9:30 a.m.**

9/10/2018 – Staff Meeting, 3:00-4:10 p.m., Rm. 192

**9/10/2018—School Accountability Committee Night  
(ALL staff and parents welcome), 4:30-6:00 p.m.**

9/15/2018—Auto Show, All Day, North Parking Lot

**9/20/2018—Open House, 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.**

9/24/2018—Professional Development Day– No Students

9/24/2018—Mid-Quarter 1 grades are available online for students

9/25-10/8—Off-Campus Students Complete Enrollment Count Day Forms

If you have any questions, comments, concerns or suggestion, please reach out. Thank you for your trust and continued support.

Best,  
*Sean Norman*

Sean Norman



## FROM THE DEAN'S OFFICE

Odyssey ECCO Parents and Staff,

I wanted to take a moment to introduce myself. My name is Dr. Mike Lamphere and I am very honored to be the new Dean of Students at Odyssey ECCO. I grew up in and around the Chicago area and after 23 years headed west for Colorado. I completed my BA in English from SIU in Carbondale, IL, my MA in Curriculum and Instruction and my PhD in Educational Policy and Leadership from UCCS.

I believe in kids and pushing them to reach their fullest potential. My research was in school culture and achievement and I am excited to join the staff at Odyssey ECCO and help contribute to a wonderful culture that is full of inclusiveness and achievement. It has been a week of diving into classrooms, meeting with staff and students, and answering many questions (some more serious than others). I have learned that this is a truly amazing place full of talented students and staff.

I live in the Wasson neighborhood with my 4 boys, 2 basset hounds, and 1 cat. In my spare time I raise my kids, play music, go to the gym and try to play rugby whenever possible.

I look forward to an exciting and invigorating year. I want our students to know I am not just here for discipline, but first and foremost I am an ally who will help kids and assist them with achieving their goals for the future.

My door is always open, please stop by and say hello!

Dr. Mike Lamphere

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Dean of Students , Odyssey ECCO



## PHOENIX FAMILY FRIDAY COFFEE WITH PRINCIPAL NORMAN

Phoenix Family Friday is an excellent opportunity for families to meet with Principal Norman. This is a time set aside for you to ask questions, share ideas and discuss items in an informal setting. Mr. Norman will also share out information with you regarding upcoming events, items to celebrate and challenges ahead. This is an open time, so come and go as you are available.

Please join us for this year's first Phoenix Family Friday on **September 7, 7:30-9:30 a.m., room 195.**

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## PARENT CONNECT



You can now update information about your District 11 student(s) through the ParentConnect website. Phone numbers, email addresses, health concerns and emergency contact information for each of your students can be updated, or you can verify that there are no changes. If you have already completed the fall update process, you do not need to do it again.

The update process is a critical step in order for us to communicate with you. **If your contact information in ParentConnect is incorrect, (address, phone number, and email address) you WILL NOT receive the important information that is sent out to parents throughout the school year.**

Please go to <https://d11connect.d11.org/ParentPortal> to complete this process. You will need your ParentConnect PIN and password. If you do not know your PIN and password, click on the “Need Your Login Information” link, enter your email address, and you will receive an email containing your PIN and password. Once logged in, click on the “Fall Update” link (top right) to review and update each section.

## COUNSELING DEPARTMENT UPDATES & INFORMATION

Welcome from the Odyssey Early College and Career Pathways Counseling Department! There have been a few changes that were made over the summer.

I would first like to introduce everyone to our new Counseling Assistant – Ms. Taura Gandy. Ms. Taura is an important part of our team and it is her job to keep the Counselors organized and on schedule. Therefore, it is important, that students or parents, wishing to make an appointment with their counselor, contact Ms. Taura. Ms. Taura can be reached at 328-2085 or [Taura.Gandy@D11.org](mailto:Taura.Gandy@D11.org)

Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Everette have relocated to new offices and can be found in rooms 192c and 192d, respectively. They have also shared their case load differently this year. Mrs. Johnson is responsible for students with the last name A-L and Mrs. Everette handles students with the last name M-Z. Ms. Griffin continues to serve as our Career and Technical Education Counselor, working exclusively with our Career Pathways Department. We encourage all students and parents to get to know their Counselor, as Counselors are vital to helping students identify their future college and career goals.

### UPCOMING DATES

**Aug. 24** - Postsecondary Application and Promise to Repay (Concurrent Enrollment) Agreements due for all New Students

**Sept. 10** – Drop Date for Odyssey/PPCC Classes (On campus courses)

**Sept. 11** – PPCC Drop Date for Off Campus Students

## ODYSSEY ECCO CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Get involved, have fun, make memories! Join a club or organization!

Refer to the Odyssey ECCO website for current times and locations.

<https://www.d11.org/Page/7810> (Click on "Clubs 2018-2019")



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### Monday

<i>Club Name</i>	<i>Teacher Sponsor</i>
Philosophy Club	Mr. Alarcon
Journalism Club	Mrs. Banfield
Art Club	Mrs. Coil
Creative Writing	Ms. Weeks

### Tuesday

<i>Club Name</i>	<i>Teacher Sponsor</i>
Link Crew	Ms. Lord
Guitar Club	Mr. Tomeo
Speech and Debate Club	Ms. Weeks
Student Council	Mr. Beretta/Ms. Lopez

### Wednesday

<i>Club Name</i>	<i>Teacher Sponsor</i>
Sources of Strength	Ms. Rotunno Mrs. Everette Mrs. Johnson
Sudo Cyber	Mr. Tomeo
GSA	Ms. Weeks
Magic the Gathering	Mr. Berry
FCCLA	Mrs. Friesema/Mrs.Aragon
Math Tutoring	Mr. Beretta/Mrs. Kraft

### Thursday

<i>Club Name</i>	<i>Teacher Sponsor</i>
CTSO Open Lab	Mr. Tomeo
Creative Writing	Ms. Weeks

### Friday

<i>Club Name</i>	<i>Teacher Sponsor</i>
Spanish Club	Mrs. Dallam
FFA	Dr. Owino
GSA	Ms. Weeks

*Thank you to those who purchased King Sooper cards at orientation! King Sooper cards are an easy way for everyone to support Odyssey ECCO.*

*For more information contact Tamara Kokes at 328-2092.*

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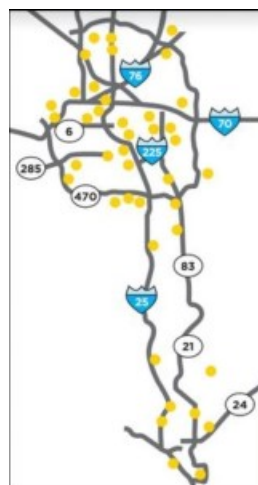
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