



Odyssey ECCO

Counseling Connections

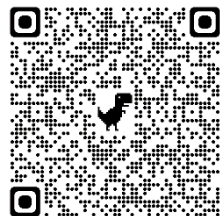
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Important Dates & Events

February 5 – 10	National School Counseling Week
February 9	Valentine’s Dance
February 10	FAFSA/CASFA Help at Wasson Campus 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.
February 19	President’s Day NO SCHOOL
February 23	Phoenix Family Friday/Donuts with the Dean (Parents) 8:30 – 9:30 am Conference Room 251
March 1st	Upperclassmen Friday
March 9	AAYLC Annua American Youth Leadership Conference
March 14	Teacher Workday NO SCHOOL
March 15	Teacher Workday NO SCHOOL
March 25-29	Spring Break NO SCHOOL
March 29	Colorado County Clerks Association Scholarships Due
April 9	Concurrent Enrollment Forms Due
April 17	PSAT for 9 th & 10 th Grade at Odyssey ECCO
April 19	SAT for 11 th Grade at Odyssey ECCO

Resources

ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES AT PIKES PEAK



Through an interactive process with a disability specialist, instructors, and students, [Accessibility Services at Pikes Peak](#) provides classroom and testing accommodations for students with both temporary and long-term disabilities.

Helping students with accessibility services at college will be different from high school. [Visit the Accessibility Services resources page](#) to learn more about confidentiality, documentation, tips for how to help your students self-advocate, and more!

Get Schooled

Choose Your Path.

Get Into College.

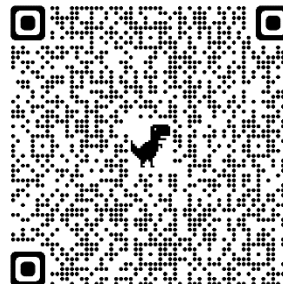
Find Your First Job.

- Get personalized feedback on college application essays
- Text an advisor
- Get help on financial aid and FAFSA
- Find trusted scholarships
- Land your first job



FREE Youth Mental Health Sessions (Department of Human Services)

The Colorado Department of Human Services, Office of Behavioral Health launched I Matter, a program that provides three or more free counseling sessions for any Colorado youth. Youth and their parents can visit the I Matter platform to take a confidential online survey about their mental health and schedule sessions with a licensed behavioral health clinician, primarily via telehealth. All Colorado youth ages 18 or younger—or 21 and younger if receiving special education services—are eligible to receive free services. Youth 12 and older can sign up for counseling sessions without a parent or guardian's consent.



Pike's Peak Business and Education Alliance (Internship)

If you are going to be at work for a lot of your life, why not choose a career that matches your talents, interest, and aptitude?



Club Aspen

Exciting News! The Patterson Center for Resiliency is introducing Club Aspen, our groundbreaking therapeutic after-school program for middle and high school teens facing mental and behavioral health challenges. Club Aspen is a place where your teen can explore real-world coping and life skills.

When: Monday to Friday, after school, with flexible attendance: 1 to 5 days per week!
Drop off: 3:30-4:00pm | Pick up: 5:30-6pm (Extended hours during school breaks)
Club Aspen is covered by Medicaid and CHP+ and affordable rates are available for others! Transportation support is available.

If you know a teen who could benefit, share our flier, or contact info. Tours and more information available after reaching out!
Learn more at <https://www.thepattersoncenter.org/afterschool> or call us at 719-300-5735.



Important Dates and Events

Concurrent Enrollment Forms for the 24-25 school are **Due April 9th!**

Each year Odyssey ECCO students are required to complete a Concurrent Enrollment form. Last year we transitioned from a paper form to a digital one. We use Formsite for this purpose. Please use the same login information as last year to complete your new form. Only students need an account, parents will be sent an email from Formsite with the link to their child's form so they can review and sign. The link and instructions are below.

[Formsite Concurrent Enrollment Form](#)



If this is the first time you completed a form through Formsite, create an account by filling out the boxes on the left. Please make note of the username and password you use, because this account will hold all your forms from here on. Returning students should make every effort to use the same email and login as last year. Please make sure the parent email you type in is accurate, and then let your parent know to expect an email from Formsite. You do not need to complete your course information; we will attach your schedule before sending it to PPCC. It is important that you initial the three locations where it is needed, check all 13 checkboxes, and then sign with a full signature at the end.

Once you click submit, the form will go to your parents for their initials and signature. Once your parent hits submit the form will go to your counselor for approval.

If you have any questions feel free to reach out to Kristine Stenger at Kristine.Stenger@d11.org or 719-328-2088.

SAT Information (Off Campus)

SAT Test Dates & Deadlines - (<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat>)

SAT Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration
March 9,	February 23,	February 27, 2024
May 4,	April 19,	April 23, 2024
June 1,	May 16,	May 21, 2024



A promotional poster for the 31st Annual African American Youth Leadership Conference (AAYLC) held at Colorado College on March 9th. The poster features a group of diverse students smiling. At the top left, a logo reads "2024 YOU ONLY FAIL YOU STOP TRYING African American Youth Leadership Conference". The main text says "Registration Open!" and "GRADES 6-12". Below that, it says "31ST ANNUAL AAYLC MAR 9 COLORADO COLLEGE 8:00AM - 4:30PM All Students Welcome!". A list of benefits includes: FREE REGISTRATION, ENGAGING SESSIONS, GREAT FOOD, ENTERTAINMENT, and PRIZES & GIVEAWAYS. A "JOIN US" button is next to the list. At the bottom, there is a QR code and the website "AAYLC-CO.ORG/UPCOMINGEVENTS". The background has a light blue sunburst pattern.

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ACADEMIC CAMPUS

WELCOMING EVERYONE TO:

FAFSA/CASFA EVENT

SATURDAY,
FEBRUARY 10TH

The purpose of the FAFSA form is to assess the amount of financial assistance a student is eligible to receive for their college education.

📍 WASSON LIBRARY ⌚ 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

- Bring Laptop
- Attend with Family
- Ask Financial Aid Questions
- Sign up Online

FAFSA for: Graduating Seniors
Class of 2024

Financial Aid Support from Higher Ed Partners



For more information:
BREANN.SHAUGHNESSY@D11.ORG

Donuts, Coffee & Juice will be provided

COMING TO THE SPRINGS



COLORADO SPRINGS SPRING COLLEGE FAIR

Saturday, March 2, 2024
9:00a-11:30a MDT

Pine Creek High School
10750 Thunder Mountain Ave., Colorado Springs, CO 80908

Student registration available at www.StriveFair.com



Scholarships

Colorado County Clerks Association

High School seniors can apply now for scholarships offered by the Colorado County Clerks Association. It's a great opportunity if you plan on attending a university, college, junior/community college, or technical institution. Clerk Steve Schleiker encourages students who reside in El Paso County not to submit your scholarship application to kristiridlen@elpasoco.com. Contact her with questions by or 719-520-6226. **The deadline for applications is March 29, 2024.** Students who reside in other Colorado counties should apply to their respective County Clerk. The application packet with information on the process is available at <https://www.clerkandrecorder.org/scholarship>



Denver Foundation

Happy New Year! Scholarships at The Denver Foundation are now open! Please don't forget to share the many [scholarship opportunities](#) available for your students to apply to on our website. The deadline for many of our opportunities is March 1, 2024.



Finding a college that fits

Finding the right school to continue your education is important; it must be the right fit.

Try out some of these links to help you find the best school to meet your needs!

<https://www.d11.org/administration/schools/school-counselors/finding-a-college-that-fits>



CLASS OF 2024!

Senior Reminders

March 15 Deadline to apply for PPSC Graduation

May 10 Last Day for Odyssey Seniors on Campus

May 10 Senior Awards Ceremony 8:00 to 9:00 a.m.

May 10 **Final Senior Meeting (Mandatory in person) 9:00 to 9:30 a.m.**

May 10 Senior Celebration Brunch (Seniors Only) 9:30 to 10:15 a.m.

(Laptop /equipment return and yearbook pick up during brunch)

May 11 Pikes Peak State College Graduation

May 12 ALL Obligations fulfilled (unpaid debts)

May 13 Name pronunciation due with Dr. Lamphere

May 16 Graduation 9:00 a.m.

(students report at 7:15 a.m. in the Dance Studio)

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If you are experiencing a social emotional emergency come directly to the Counseling Center or find the nearest adult. You can also call one of the above numbers during school hours.

Questions?

Please contact Mrs. Kristine at 719-328-2088 kristine.stenger@d11.org

