



PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Hello D'Evelyn Junior/Senior High School Community,

I would like to thank our students, staff, families, and community members for another successful week at D'Evelyn. Yesterday evening's Back to School Night went really well. We had a huge turnout, and it was a nice opportunity for our families to get to meet our amazing staff. I would like to give a Shout Out to our teachers, staff, members of the Steering Committee, Accountability Committee, and DEF for making it a nice way for our organizations to let families know what they do and how to get involved.

We are making sure our "Use of Personal Technology" policy (please see below) is being upheld. I wanted to clarify that students are not to use their cell phones during class or during 7th hour. "Student PEDs must be stored out of sight during classroom instructional time, including 7th hour." Chromebooks/laptops "may be utilized in the classroom only for specific, teacher-directed, educational purposes."

Earbuds/headphones may be, "utilized in the classroom only for specific, teacher-directed, educational purposes." The Steering Committee will be reviewing ST-06-R4, "Use of Personal Technology," this year. I appreciate your help and support with enforcing this policy.

[ST-06-R4 Use of Personal Technology](#)

Josh Shapiro, Principal

It is an honor to be your principal.

Go Jags!



ATTENDANCE INFO

New system for "calling" your student in as absent: Please review the [linked information](#)

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USEFUL LINKS

- [D'EVELYN WEBSITE](#)
- [MASTER CALENDAR](#)
- [STEERING COMMITTEE](#)
- [D'EVELYN EDUCATION FOUNDATION \(DEF\)](#)
- [ACCOUNTABILITY](#)



AUG. 24 - SEPT. 14

AUG 26: STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 4:30PM-7PM

AUG 28: SENIOR PARENT MEETING 7PM-8PM

AUG 30: PICTURE MAKE-UP DAY

AUG 30: EARLY RELEASE FOR ALL STUDENTS AT 2:15PM

SEPT 2: NO SCHOOL LABOR DAY

SEPT 4: COLLEGE NIGHT 6PM-8PM

SEPT 6: 6TH GRADE HOMEROOM TEACHER CONFERENCES

(NO SCHOOL FOR 6TH GRADE STUDENTS)

SEPT. 9 - SEPT. 13: HOMECOMING SPIRIT WEEK

SEPT. 9: STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 4:30PM-7PM

SEPT 10: ACCOUNTABILITY MEETING 5:30PM-7:30PM

SEPT 13: JUNIOR HIGH SOCIAL (JUNIOR HIGH) 3:15PM-4:45PM

SEPT. 14: HOMECOMING DANCE (SENIOR HIGH) 8PM-11PM

[Link to Master Calendar](#)

AUGUST 2024						
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25	26	27	28	29	30	31

August 30th Early Release and XC Information

New Website Coming Soon

In November of 2023, Jeffco announced a comprehensive redesign of all school websites to enhance the user experience. Since that time, staff across the district have been working with the district's redesign team to create new websites. For a sneak peak, [Dennison Elementary's website](#) has been launched and ours will look very similar. Look for the launch of D'Evelyn's new website in the coming weeks.

Congratulations

Congratulations to our library team for earning the Environment credential through the Highly Effective Schools Through Libraries Program. This is awarded on behalf of the Colorado Department of Education as well as the Colorado State Library to school libraries that demonstrate a dedication to excellence in school librarianship as well as service to students. Your continued hard work and commitment to students is appreciated.



Seniors and Senior Parents

Senior photos are due by October 3rd, **no late submissions**. Please read the [linked sheet](#) for photographer and submission details.

Ordering Pictures

School photos were taken through English classes on Monday, Aug. 19. If you are interested in ordering photos go to mylifetouch.com with your student ID or Picture Day ID: EVTCCDMHW. Picture Retakes are Friday, Aug. 30th.

FALL SPORTS



Be sure to support our student-athletes this fall!
**Football, Softball, Boys Soccer, Boys Tennis, Boys Golf,
Cheer, Cross Country (XC), Girls Volleyball**

Check for upcoming events on our [Athletics Calendar](#)

Follow our athletics Instagram page **@develynathletics** for updates and celebrations!

Fundraiser

Come support the Jags football team at Red Robin on **Monday, August 26th!** The restaurant is located at 7708 W. Long Drive Littleton 80123. 20% of food purchased all day will be donated to the football team when you mention you are with D'Evelyn. Make sure to share with your friends and family. Thanks for your support!! Go Jags!!

A green poster for cheerleading tryouts. At the top is the jaguar mascot head. Below it is the text "D'EVELYN HIGH SCHOOL" in small white letters. The main title "CHEERLEADING TRYOUTS" is in large, bold, white letters. Below the title, it says "Open to all current 9th-12th graders. No experience necessary!" in white. Then, "SEPTEMBER 3RD AND 5TH 4-5:30PM" and "CAFETERIA" in bold white letters. Below that, it says "We are looking for energetic, enthusiastic, and efficient cheerleaders who will help spread the school spirit to join our JV Team!" in white. At the bottom, it says "In order to try out, please fill out the form in our bio and submit all athletic paperwork (including physical) by September 3rd. Questions? Email develynjagcheer@gmail.com" in white. The poster is decorated with white line-art megaphones on the left and right sides.

D'EVELYN HIGH SCHOOL

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ATHLETICS

We're starting a new JV Cheer program! If any Jaguars are interested in joining the Cheer program this will be a great opportunity to get involved!



D'Evelyn Youth Basketball Team Placement

Boys - Sunday September 8
(make-up day 9/15),
Girls - Sunday September 15



SCAN THE QR CODE FOR
MORE INFORMATION
AND TO REGISTER



BASKETBALL

[D'Evelyn Youth Basketball Information](#)

D'EVELYN CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

Students will be able to sign up for 7th hour clubs starting next Friday, August 30th. There are various teacher-sponsored clubs, primarily on Fridays, available to students. These range from fishing club and yoga to robotics and watercolor. Below is a link to the clubs offered this year. Be sure to pay attention to who can attend the club, as some are grade level specific. In addition, some have particular requirements, or are only offered occasionally. [Be sure to read the whole description.](#)

[Clubs and Activities](#)

COLLEGE NIGHT

SEPTEMBER 4TH 6:00 TO 8:00 PM

Keynote Speaker: **Kevin MacLennan** “*State of College Admissions*”.

Breakout sessions:

- *Writing an Effective College Essay*
- *Financial Aid and College Affordability*
- *College 101*
- *How to ACE your College and Scholarship Applications*
- *Out of State Options – Oh, the Place You Can Go*

PARENT MENTORING

We are creating a culture of belonging for our new families, so we are starting **Parent Mentoring**! What does this look like? Mentoring is being a resource for new families by answering questions and helping them navigate D'Evelyn. We are asking new parents at Back to School Night if they want a mentor and matching people up after that. If you have any questions, please contact Kelly Benninghoff at kelly.benninghoff@jeffco.k12.co.us

If you are willing to be a mentor, please fill out this google form:

[Mentoring Form Link](#)

NEW PARENT MENTEES

Welcome **New Parents**! We are glad you are here. Please fill out the [google form](#) if you would like to be paired with a returning parent that can help you as you start your journey at D'Evelyn.

For more information about upcoming college visits counseling activities visit [Counseling's website](#).

D'EVELYN DASH

The D'Evelyn DASH is a fun school & community event that will be held on October 4th 2024 featuring 4 events/races this year:

- 5K High School Run
- 5K Junior High School Run
- 5K Staff/Family/Community Run
- 2K All Community Ages Fun Run/Walk

The DASH is a great course to run, walk, or watch.

The Festivities are so MUCH MORE than a race! There will be a DJ, food trucks, many school club and sponsor booths, performances from the school teams, and a Senior Parade. The Junior High Fall Social Event will also be held and become a part of the festivities. The DASH will take place rain or shine.

The D'Evelyn DASH is also a fun community event that is a key fundraiser for the D'Evelyn Education Foundation. Proceeds from the DASH benefit arts, activities, athletics, and academics at D'Evelyn Jr./Sr. High School.

Help needed! Volunteer opportunities are available for planning, school engagement, and race-day support! Please email: develyndashcrew@gmail.com

SCHOOL SPONSOR DEADLINE 9/1/2024

Still interested in becoming a school sponsor? The deadline for the following school sponsorship opportunities is on 9/1/2024:

- DASH sponsorships
- Jaguar Business Spotlight Banner
- Jaguar sponsorship for all 3 main fundraising events

For more details on the above sponsorships and other ways you can sponsor D'Evelyn, check out our [Sponsorship Brochure](#)

For questions or details regarding sponsorship opportunities, please email: develynfoundationmgmt@gmail.com

T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST

Thanks to the community for your artistic contributions. We have some excellent options for the t-shirt and logo design for the 2024 D'Evelyn DASH to be held on October 4th! Please let democracy reign and have your voice be heard. Select your favorite design(s)! Please submit your selection on this [Google Form](#), students can find the form in their grades google classroom, by Monday, August 26th. The contest will close at 5pm that afternoon. You will only be allowed to vote once.

TEACHER APPRECIATION CORNER

[Teacher Appreciation Flyer](#)

D'Evelyn Education Foundation (DEF) will be coordinating ways to show our amazing teachers how much we appreciate them throughout the year. Please consider helping us by donating your time, items, or money toward any of the following events. If you have any questions please email Sarah McBride at teacherappreciation.def@gmail.com

Adopt A Teachers' Treats Day

We want to make sure our teachers feel appreciated throughout the year so we are going to do something special for them each month. When there is not already an event like conferences or Teacher Appreciation week, we will provide a small token of our appreciation through a treat or gift on the 3rd Friday of the month. If you want to help with this endeavor you can adopt the teachers for a month.

[Sign Up Genius for Monthly Teacher Treats](#)

Parent Teacher Conference Meals

Help us provide a good meal for teachers during Conferences on September 18th and 19th so they have the energy to meet with all their families. Please sign up below to bring items for each day.

- Wednesday, September 18th will be a Chili Cook Off. Make your favorite chili recipe (any style). Teachers will vote for their favorite chili and the winner will get a D'Evelyn t-shirt.

- Thursday, September 19th we will have a picnic dinner.

[Sign Up Genius P/T Conferences](#)

Amazon Wishlist for D'Evelyn Teacher Treats

The Amazon Wishlist below has items on it for events and gifts throughout the year so we aren't scrambling at the last minute to get donations. Please check out this wishlist throughout the year to see what items you can purchase to help with Monthly Teachers' Treats, Holiday gifts, and Teacher Appreciation week. It will be updated throughout the year as the needs change. When checking out please select to send the item to Sarah McBride so she can collect all the items to package for the Teachers.

[Amazon Wishlist for Teachers](#)

The School Store is looking for candy donations of either Jolly Ranchers or Starburst. These can be dropped off at the front desk. Thank you.

Dave Belmonte & Melinda Bochner, Co-Chairs

Thank you to our outgoing Steering Committee chair, Brock Gustafson. We are grateful for the years of service and countless hours of investment that he gave to our school community. Thank you, also, to Emily McCaslin-Hahn, an extraordinary math teacher, die-hard Jag, and dedicated member of the Steering Committee, whose service ended this past school year. We will miss you both!

Our school community is celebrating D'Evelyn's 30th Anniversary! We are fortunate that Founders Kathi Pitzer and Carolyn DeRaad are still involved in our school, helping us to stay true to our principles that all students, not just an elite group, should be held to rigorous academic and behavioral standards, and that all students can achieve in a challenging program. Thank you for your guidance, wisdom, and three decades of commitment.

The purpose of a D'Evelyn education is to convey an essential body of cultural knowledge to our students through a solid liberal arts education, producing citizens who are effective participants in their communities. The D'Evelyn curriculum focuses on the core academic subjects, building a foundation of knowledge important to the pursuit of all subsequent learning. D'Evelyn students develop the ability to think critically, to communicate effectively, and to be engaged citizens through teacher-led, whole-group instruction.

The primary role of the Steering Committee, composed of five parents, two teachers, and the principal, is to ensure that the school stays true to the school's Founding Document. The Steering Committee coordinates parents, teachers, and administrators to work together following a participatory model, making critical decisions about curriculum, textbooks, staffing, district initiatives, and budgets. It is a unique model established by our Founding Document, which is also our contract with the Jefferson County School District. The District is our partner, and we look forward to continuing to work together.

The Steering Committee also runs standing sub-committees to help fulfill our responsibilities. The standing sub-committees include The D'Evelyn Education Foundation (DEF), Accountability, School Calendar, and Discipline. We are seeking volunteers for these subcommittees. We need engaged parents to help maintain our tradition of excellence, so please share your time and talent with our school community!

While D'Evelyn students are encouraged as individuals, our program is not modified for individual needs and preferences. The same rigorous standards apply to all students and provide the basis for assessment and evaluation. We encourage you to thoroughly read the behavioral, academic, and AP contracts that your families will sign.

We look forward to a great school year and getting to know our new families and their students. If you have any questions or wish to communicate with the Steering Committee, you may email us at DevelynSCchair@gmail.com.

STEERING COMMITTEE

Please join us for the next D'Evelyn Accountability Committee meeting on Tuesday, September 10, 2024 from 5:30-7:30!

The meeting is always held in the DHS school library or you may also join virtually.

You will hear school updates from our principal Josh Shapiro, the Student Council, the Steering Committee, the District Accountability Rep, and the D'Evelyn Education Foundation among others.

ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE

WHAT?

D'EVELYN JUNIOR/SENIOR HS ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE

WHO?

Parents, students, teachers and admins



WHEN?

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

WHY?

Meet other parents and staff
Work on the School Improvement Plan
School updates.
Parent Q&A

HOW?

Show up!
or Please Sign up:

WHERE?

DHS Library
or by Virtual link



Communication between parents, students, administrators and community

*Sponsored by the D'Evelyn Accountability committee