



D'EVELYN JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL

JAG TRACKS

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PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Hello D'Evelyn Junior/Senior High School Community,

A huge Shout Out to our students, staff, coaches, parents, and families who are involved with all of our athletics and activities. I have had the opportunity to attend a number of our sporting events and performances. From a tennis tournament to a Shakespeare performance, I am always amazed by the level of talent and dedication our students have. I'm so proud of our Jags! Please look to our website and social media for more information, including pics and videos.

I want to give another huge shout out to all of our students who were recognized at yesterday's Academic Lettering Ceremony. These Jags were recognized for their academic excellence as marked by having earned a 3.75 or higher G.P.A. for both semesters of last school year. Earning A's and B's can be challenging at most schools, but even more so here at D'Evelyn - where the academic rigor is so high. We are extremely proud of you!

I'm looking forward to today's D'Evelyn Dash and this evening's Choir Concert!

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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OFFICE: 303-982-2600

ATTENDANCE LINE: 303-982-5771



OCT 5 - NOV 8

OCT 7: STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 4:30-7PM

OCT 7: 6TH-8TH GRADE CHOIR CONCERT 7-9PM

OCT 8: ACCOUNTABILITY MEETING 5:30-7:30PM

OCT 8: TENOR/BASS, TREBLE CHOIR, & ADVANCED ORCHESTRA 7-8:30PM

OCT 10: 6TH-8TH GRADE INSTRUMENTAL CONCERT 7-8:30PM

OCT 15: DEF MEETING 6-7PM

OCT 17-OCT 18: NO SCHOOL

OCT 21: STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 4:30-7PM

OCT 23: JUNIORS PSAT/NMSQT TESTS

OCT 26: TRICK OR TREAT STREET 5-7PM

OCT 28: MARCHING BAND TO STATE

NOV 1: NO SCHOOL/TEACHER IN-SERVICE

NOV 4: STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 4:30-7PM

NOV 8: VETERAN DAY ASSEMBLY 2:15-3PM

[Link to Master Calendar](#)

OCTOBER 2024						
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PSAT/NMSQT TESTING

Juniors will be taking the PSAT/NMSQT test on **Wednesday, October 23rd**. Click [HERE](#) for more information on the test.

TEACHER OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to **Mr. Beams** for winning “Teacher of the Month” for October. His students described him as helpful, friendly, engaging, and fun. Congratulations Mr. Beams. To nominate your favorite teacher, fill out the the google form found here, “[Teacher of the Month](#),” or click the link found on the “Student Life” page on the D’Evelyn website.



HEART OF D'EVELYN

The Heart of D’Evelyn is awarded to students who exemplify the core values laid out in the Founding Document: responsibility, honesty, self-control, kindness, and fairness. Congratulations to: **Ethan Stecklein, Gabriele Foley, Adrian Milbrandt, Logan Long, Thaddeus Lee, Leia Johnsen, Tae-Yang Kim, Ollie Wilson, Chloe Drachenberg, Ella Larsen, Russell Castillo, Elizabeth Fudge, Nicole Reeb, Rylee Smith, Eve Goeke, and Charlene Diep** for being recognized, by staff, for your outstanding behavior.

SENIOR PORTRAITS

Senior Portrait submission information Linked [HERE](#)

Senior Baby Photos Due October 25th

Senior Baby Photo submission information Linked [HERE](#)

D'EVELYN SERVICE CORP

D’Evelyn Service Corp is having a fundraiser from **September 24th to October 8th** to raise money for the Ronald McDonald House. Please consider giving a donation to your child for them turn into their 2nd period class. The class who raises the most money will win a **pizza party!!**

SCHOLAR OF THE MONTH: OCTOBER



Dilan Acosta - 12th Grade

"The History Department would like to honor Dilan Acosta as student of the month. Dilan is the Platonic ideal of the inquisitive learner – he takes a leading role in class discussions, asks probing questions designed to further his understanding, and engages his peers with an enthusiasm that enhances the classroom experience for everyone. Dilan's success in AP coursework speaks to his sharp intellect and dedication to intellectual cultivation, and his compassion for others serves as inspiration for his fellow students and teachers alike. Hooray for Dilan!"

-Mr. Carson (Social Studies)



Dylan Ferebee - 8th Grade

"Dylan is excelling in physical science. He is focused, ready to learn, and a fun lab partner. He shows great interest in science and discusses applications before and after class. Dylan is a science whiz who is becoming a real genius!"

-Mrs. Aguiar (Science)



Rebecca Brooks - 8th Grade

"Rebecca is an enthusiastic participator every day who brings her best to every class period. She loves to learn and encourages the entire class in that pursuit of excellence.

Rebecca asks for feedback, wants that feedback, and acts upon it, which is the mark of a great student. She tracks the material and engages. I am so very proud of her work in 8th grade US History and I'm so thankful to have her in my class this year!"

- Mr. Beams (Social Studies)



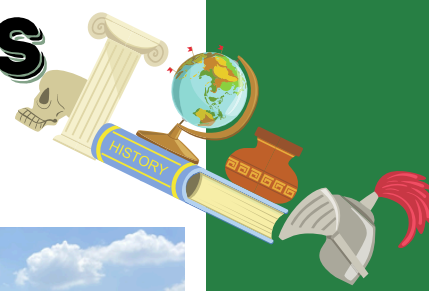
Ethan Brill - 9th Grade

"Ethan Brill started his Freshman year as a new student to D'Evelyn. Ethan has adjusted well to the D'Evelyn demands and is diligent about asking questions if he needs some clarification. As a member of the Cross Country team, Ethan has been very attentive to making up work that he has missed due to the meets. In the classroom, Ethan is observed putting efficient study habits into practice and exerting great amounts of effort for his assignments and studying for his exams."

-Mr. Ray (Science)

UPCOMING EVENTS AND SCHOOL NEWS

FROM THE SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT



The D'Evelyn Social Studies department emphasizes the importance of both academic study and firsthand experiences in history, geography, economics, and government. According to the D'Evelyn Founding Document, "Students of history are able to take advantage of the accumulated human experience of the ages, thereby gaining insight and judgments regarding past, current, and future human experiences" (D'Evelyn pg. 10). Drawing from the program document, the department believes that studying history provides students with insights into human experiences, enabling them to understand the past, present, and future. A key part of this approach is encouraging students to travel and engage with other cultures to bring history to life and gain a deeper understanding of global, social, political, and economic structures.

Recently, the department took 30 students to Italy, where they explored historic sites like Pompeii and the Roman Colosseum. Looking ahead, the department is organizing two more trips: one to Belize over Spring Break 2025 to study reef conservation and another to Eastern Europe in June 2025, with highlights like visiting the St. Vitus Cathedral in Prague. These trips aim to offer students immersive learning experiences that go beyond the classroom.



A VIEW INTO THE CLASSROOM

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!

Check **MaxPreps** for more in depth coverage on each of our teams and all the league and state rankings along with video highlights from recent games

<https://www.maxpreps.com/co/denver/develyn-jaguars/>



BOYS GOLF

Congrats to Zack White for qualifying for the 3A State Golf Championships! Zack shot a 78 at Fox Hollow golf course and will move on to the State Championships next week in Pueblo.

BOYS TENNIS

The D'Evelyn Boys Tennis varsity team is having perhaps their strongest season to date. So far, the boys have wins over strong 5A teams like Ralston Valley, Fossil Ridge, Chatfield, Mountain Vista, Fairview, and Boulder. They have also beaten some of the best 4A schools as well in Mullen, Evergreen and Peak to Peak. With the lone dual match loss on the season coming to the defending state champs Kent Denver, D'Evelyn has big matches still to come against Colorado Academy and Cheyenne Mountain to see if the Jaguars can claim a top seed in the upcoming state tournament. Some of the standouts so far include senior Xalen Mitchell, who is 14-2, with his two losses to the best teams in the state in Cherry Creek and Regis Jesuit. Senior Eric Pham also has had a very strong year at 12-4, Nithesh Karuppasamy is leading the way at 1 singles as a freshman with a 11-5 record. Our strongest doubles line so far has been brothers Anthony and Simon Czarnecki, also with a 12-4 record. The boys tennis team has earned the #3 seed in the CHSAA 4A State Tennis Championships for the first time in the school's history! Our JV team has been doing fantastic as well, with 4 wins over other Jeffco school's Varsity teams.

D'Evelyn AquaJags

WEBSITE & FAQ



Join our HS Girls' Swim & Dive team!

INTEREST MEETING -Monday, Oct 14 @ Auditorium 7th hour
Head Coach Linh Carpenter - Linh.Carpenter@jeffco.k12.co.us



← Fill out our athlete questionnaire!

ATHLETICS

CROSS-COUNTRY

The Varsity boys XC team had an outstanding performance at the Dave Sanders Invitational on Friday, 9/27. The varsity team finished 2nd out of 30 teams defeating several state ranked teams. The team was led by freshman Ethan Brill who finished 10th overall. The JV team saw two top 5 finishers with Wes Shelley (4th) and Owen Berenz (5th). For the girls, the varsity finished 12th in a strong field while the JV team, led by Avery McMillan (2nd) and Mia Prchal (7th) finished 2nd overall.



MUSIC CONCERTS

Come enjoy a variety of music concerts coming next week. The 6th-8th graders choir students will perform on Monday from 7-9pm. The tenor/bass choir, the treble choir, and the advanced orchestra will perform on Tuesday from 7-8:30pm. Lastly, the 6th-8th grade instrumental students will perform on Thursday from 7-8:30pm. Come out and enjoy some amazing music and support our talented students.

FROM THE DRAMA DEPARTMENT

The D'Evelyn drama department sends a huge thank you to all who participated in and attended *The Comedy of Errors* last week. This production was a huge success thanks to you, and our drama department continues to thrive because of this support! Shakespeare can strike fear in many performers and audiences, as they question "will I understand it", "will it be boring". It is a tricky task for even professional performers. Yet our students tackled this work with gusto and stuck with it. They worked incredibly hard to lay those fears to rest for both themselves and their audience. Our goal throughout the process was always to get our audience to forget that they were watching Shakespeare. Their directors say they blew that goal right out of the water. We hope you enjoyed the production as much as we enjoyed putting it together. Thank you once more for your support of these talented and creative students! We cannot wait for you to join us in February for the musical, A Chorus Line!



MARCHING BAND

The marching band finished 1st in 3A on Saturday. They also qualified for finals, competing against several top 4A and 5A bands. The marching band will have their last competition, before regionals, at the [Douglas County Marching Invitational](#) on **Saturday, October 5th**.

D'EVELYN NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

NHS is hosting the Fall Blood Drive on **Tuesday, Oct. 8th from 9:30am-1:30pm**. All students 16yrs or older are encouraged to donate. One blood donation can save up to three lives!

Sign-ups are being held at lunches or by scanning the QR code around school.

TRICK OR TREAT STREET

Trick or Treat Street will be held at D'Evelyn on **Saturday, Oct. 26th from 5pm - 7pm**. Our clubs and student groups will transform the school, so come bring your little ones and families for a night of fun! Monetary donations will be accepted at the door to benefit the Jeffco Action Center. Last entry is at 6:45pm. We hope to see you there for a fantastic

D'Evelyn tradition! Flyer linked [HERE](#)

STUDY TIPS FROM THE JUNIOR HIGH COUNSELORS

1. Create a quiet space to study: Find a calm place with minimal distractions to help you focus.
2. Create a routine: Set aside a specific time each day to study. Utilize 7th hour to complete homework and connect with teachers when questions arise.
3. Take breaks: Take a break every hour or so to recharge and avoid burnout.
4. Test yourself: Quiz yourself to help you learn and test your study process. Review study guides if they are provided, do the quizlets, write in your planner, and study for tests several nights in advance.

NEWS FROM THE HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELORS

Click [HERE](#) for the Newsletter

COLLEGE VISITS

The counseling office offers [college visits](#) throughout the school year. This is a chance for students to learn more about colleges from around the country, during their 7th hour, and meet the very people who might read their college essays. College visits get cancelled and rescheduled, so check on the counseling website for the latest information.

SENIOR MONTAGE POSTERS

These are posterboards with a lifetime of pictures to celebrate each senior.

Montages will be put up in the Counseling Dept.

They are due after spring break, April 4th.

- Montage mounting board 14 x 22 or 16 x 20, landscape/portrait. Online prints should be the photo paper/print style. Do NOT print on foam boards, canvas, or other mediums that are thicker than a poster board.
- Include your senior's name somewhere on the front of the montage. Please write their first and last name on the back of the montage. Choose photos ranging from birth through senior year.
- Include your senior's college choice. Please laminate your montage! Stickers or other flat mementos are welcome. Thicker embellishments are discouraged, as they make displaying and transporting montages cumbersome.

For more information about upcoming college visits and counseling activities visit

[Counseling's website.](#)

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



AND THE WINNER IS...

Thanks to all the families who helped feed our teachers last week! The food was all great but there can only be one winner of the chili cook off. **Erin Woodruff** won with her amazing Cowboy Chili! CONGRATULATIONS and thanks again to everyone who helped.

Adopt A Teachers' Treats Day

We still have a few open months if you want to help appreciate the staff. You can do as much or as little as you want for the 3rd Friday of the month you adopt. For example you can do just the set up, donate treats, or you can plan everything. Let me know how much you want to do.

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

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. It will be updated throughout the year as the needs change. When checking out please select to send the item to Sarah McBride so I can collect all the items to package for the Teachers.

[Amazon Wishlist for Teachers](#)

SCHOOL STORE

Our School Store is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays, during lunch, from 11-1 pm.

All school visitors must check in at the front office before entering the building.

[Order Online!](#)

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.



APPRE
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YOU

D'EVELYN EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Please join us Tuesday October, October 8, 2024, 5:30-7:30pm for the next Accountability meeting!

Please go to our webpage for the complete agenda and schedule:

<https://sites.google.com/view/develynsac/home?pli=1>

Here is the link to the calendar item to share:

<https://calendar.app.google/zpi2fjo37ciRDe139>

Here is the virtual meeting info:

DHS Accountability Meeting -- Virtual

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/rzo-eeus-jwh>

ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE

The National Honor Society will be there! The Steering Committee will have a presentation on The D'Evelyn Program with regards to Governance and Accountability. Seth Laliberty will give a presentation on data and the School Improvement Plan. Our parent group discussions will involve the process of identifying goals for the 25/26 School Improvement Plan. As well as discussing the different areas of interest and finding volunteers.

As per the Founding Document & the Accountability Committee, "the total membership shall not exceed 30; if there are more than 30 individuals who desire to be members, an election shall be held"... So, this is our goal: 30+!!! We want to encourage D'Evelyn parent participation and help build a sense of community among parent attendees.

For now, we have decided to combine virtual and in-person attendance for parts of the meeting. All parents are invited to attend in-person from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. However, parents who just want to stay connected and get school updates and speaker presentations will be able to join virtually for the first half of the meeting. For parents who wish for a more active participation, there will be an in-person only second part. This part will include working teams, the School Improvement Plan, and group discussions. We will always have snacks and because it's Halloween month, candy!

Details on how to join in-person and virtually are located on our webpage. Thank you so much and hope to see you next Tuesday!

Accountability
Committee
D'Evelyn Jr/Sr HS

ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE D'EVELYN JR/SR HS



We're waiting for you :) Halloween month!
OCTOBER 8, 5:30-7:30pm
Then, second Tuesday of every month

School updates
Interesting speakers
Parent Group discussions

DHS Library
In person only: entire meeting, including
team working groups, group discussions.
Virtual link: updates/speakers only



Show up!
or sign up:



Communication between parents, students, administrators and community