



D'EVELYN JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL

JAG TRACKS

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USEFUL LINKS

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



PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Hello D'Evelyn Junior/Senior High School Community,

It was an exciting week at D'Evelyn. I attended Trick or Treat Street on Saturday, and would like to give a Shout Out to Megan Bender, and all of the students, staff, and clubs who helped to make Trick or Treat Street a success! There was a large turnout and I know everyone had a great time. Another Shout Out to D'Evelyn Disguise for the improv show performed after Trick or Treat Street. I also attended the State Marching Band competition in Pueblo on Monday, and it was awesome! Please see below for more details. Congratulations and a Shout Out to Matthew Morrisette and the band for winning their 12th State Championship! Another Shout Out to Student Voice Club and Student Council for collaborating on organizing yesterday's Color Wars Competition. It was a great way to show school spirit! Finally, I would like to give a Shout Out to Susan Aberle and everyone who helped make today's Junior High Meet at the Pool a success! There were around 75 kids who attended. Thank you to all the parents who volunteered at the event to make it fun and safe.

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](#)



NOV 1 - NOV 23

NOV 1: NO SCHOOL/TEACHER IN-SERVICE

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

NOV 11: VETERAN DAY ASSEMBLY 2:15-3PM

NOV 12: ACCOUNTABILITY MEETING 5:30-7:30PM

NOV 14: WINTER SPORT PARENT MEETING 7-8PM

NOV 18: STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 4:30-6:30PM

NOV 19: 6TH GRADE PARENT OUTDOOR LAB MEETING 6-7PM

NOV 19: DEF MEETING 6-7PM

NOV 20: CURRENT 8TH GRADE STUDENT & PARENT MEETING 7-7:30PM

NOV 25-NOV29: THANKSGIVING BREAK

DEC 2: STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 4:30-7PM

DEC 5: OPEN HOUSE FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS: 5-8PM

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

[Link to Master Calendar](#)

NOVEMBER 2024						
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VETERANS DAY ASSEMBLY

Please join us for our annual Veterans Day assembly on **Monday, November 11th at 2:25 p.m.** This is an important event to honor our current and former military service men and women. We invite all veterans and active service members to join us at 1:50pm in the cafeteria for refreshments before the tribute. Our very own SRO, Greg Everhart be giving a presentation.

In addition, we would love pictures of veterans from our community. Please use this [FORM](#) to submit them and thank you for your help.

WINTER SPORTS INFO MEETING

Attention all parents of students participating in Winter Sports (Boys and Girls basketball, Girls Swim and Dive): DHS Athletics will host our preseason information night on **Thursday, November 14th at 6pm** in the auditorium. Our Athletic Director, Adam Kelsey, will share general information and expectations for the season and then each team will offer a breakout session meeting for their sport. We encourage you to attend as we set the stage for a successful winter season!

SCHOOL FEES ARE NEEDED TO RUN THE SCHOOL!

School fees are updated throughout the school year. Please take the time to look at your accounts and pay any outstanding balances. You can pay your account balance using [Parent Portal/Infinite Campus](#). **Do not look for fees under the "Fees" tab,** that would be too logical. Instead, select the "More" option and find the "Quick Links" at the bottom of the page. In the "Quick Links" section you will see the option for "Jeffco Student Fee Payment". This is where you can see current student fees and make the payment.

If you need to set up a payment plan, please contact our financial secretary at Ashley.Schilz@jeffcoschools.us. You can also use the district provided [Student Fee Payment Help Guide](#).

A school can't operate if it doesn't have the funds to pay its bills. Please do your part to keep our school running!

Quick Links

- [Jefferson County R-1](#)
- [Bus Registration and Info](#)
- [District Library Catalog](#)
- [EnrollJeffco](#)
- [Hazel Health Program](#)
- [Jeffco Student Fee Payment](#)
- [JeffcoHelp](#)
- [Personal Account Manager](#)
- [Student Benefits Application](#)
- [Student Insights](#)
- [Student Meal Payment](#)

SCHOLARS OF THE MONTH: NOVEMBER



Alex Zhu 8th Grade

"Alex is always a positive influence and cheery voice in class. His classmates and I appreciate his dedication to putting his best foot forward every day and choosing to make the most of every educational opportunity. He is so good at learning from mistakes and striving to be a better Latinist every day. He is a leader in his 1st period class, and we all love his enthusiasm and energy every morning." -Ms. Bowman (World Language)



John Hagan 10th Grade

"John is a wonderful Spanish student whose determination is admirable. When faced with challenges, he accepts them full on and does his best. He is willing to ask questions and take risks, and I appreciate his involvement in Spanish class. Good job!" -Mrs. Bender (World Language)



Elizabeth Fudge 7th Grade

"Elizabeth is always in class on time and eager to learn something new, she asks questions to find out how she can do more!" -Mrs. Brigham (Electives: Art)



Samuel Gulley 12th Grade

"Sam has been an incredible presence in our art classes! He has taken every level of painting and ceramics offered here and always does incredible work. Sam is amazingly creative, he is curious and he puts 100% effort into every art project he does. We are so grateful to have him in our classes and thank him for all of his hard work, effort, and for the beautiful art he has created!!" -Mrs. Lawrence (Electives: Art)



Maia Donald 8th Grade

"Maia always comes to class on time and is well prepared. She consistently participates in discussions and activities with a positive attitude. She always completes her homework on time and approaches class work with dedication. What I most appreciate from her is how supportive she is with her classmates. She helps them with challenging concepts with kindness and respect. I am proud of you Maia, keep up the good work!" - Mrs. Torbay (World Language)

WINTER SPORTS

Be sure to support our student-athletes this winter!

Click the sport below for more information.

[Boys Basketball](#), [Girls Basketball](#), [Girls Swim & Dive](#)

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/>



VARSITY CHEERLEADING

This past weekend the Varsity Cheer team had their first competition of the season. They placed 3rd and got their bid to the National High School Cheerleading Competition in Orlando, Florida in February. This is the first time in 4 years that they received a bid for nationals at their first competition! Come out to support the Cheer Teams on the evenings of November 8th at Denver Christian for a competition and November 14th at Columbine High School for League! Go Jags!



GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

I am so blessed to be the new varsity volleyball coach of the Jaguars. We have had a tremendous season of growth and rebuilding. We have continued to get better as the season has progressed and our program will be amazing in the years to come. Our energy is fantastic. I couldn't be happier when I am with these young ladies watching them work hard, persevere and overcome adversity. They are a true picture of kindness and hard work and belief. We have a lot of growing to do in the future, but I'm confident in the future success of these amazing ladies. We have had tremendous growth in the last year with 4 teams (42 players) in the high school and 7 teams (65 girls) in the middle school. We have also had a boys MS and 2 boys HS teams the last 2 years.

When you walk into Gold Crown on a Sunday it looks like a D'Evelyn home gym with all the Jaguars running around with a passion for a sport that they love. Thank you to all the parents and volunteers who have helped make this season so great!

We Believe.
We work hard.

We never give up.

We fill the love bank.

We are creating a legacy.

We celebrate our daily growth.

We have a memory like a gold fish.

We know that the biggest battle is in the mind

.We know that it's better to be winners than to win.

We get better and better every day.

We love to bump each other up.

We are warriors not worriers.

We are player-empowered.

We have amazing energy.

We are loud and proud.

We are all coaches.

We are all leaders.

We are D'Evelyn.

ATHLETICS



MARCHING BAND

In an incredible performance, marching band won their 12th State Championship on Monday, finishing off an incredible season. Not only did they win in 3A, but they also won awards for Music Performance, Visual Performance, as well as General Effect. This dedicated group dominated at every competition this season and we are so proud of their hard work and continued excellence. Yay Band!



SPEECH AND DEBATE

George Ferrando and RJ Lane were undefeated in all of their rounds of public forum debate at Castle View High School. 40 schools and over 500 students were represented at the tournament. The team heads to the Cherry Creek Classic next. The high school speech and debate team meets in Room E102, Tuesdays and Wednesdays after school.

Come check it out!



LITERARY PUMPKIN RESULTS

First place goes to Teagan Schultz for Hedwig from Harry Potter, second place goes to Melania Wynar for her depiction of *The Secret Garden* and third place goes to Ellie Fudge for *It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown*.

CELEBRATE MILITARY WEEK

Celebrate D'Evelyn's first military week November 11th-15th. Several recruiters will be here throughout the week. Take this week to honor the men and women who have served our country. Students and Staff, **wear camouflage all week. NO HATS allowed.**

Who is coming during 7th hour?

- Monday – U.S. Navy – Wear Navy Blue
 - 7th Hour Veteran's Assembly 2:15-3
- Tuesday – U.S. Air Force and U.S. Coast Guard – Wear Red, White and Blue
- Wednesday – U.S. Marines – Wear Gold and Red



NEWS FROM THE HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELORS

Click [HERE](#) for the Newsletter

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.

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.

For more information about upcoming college visits and counseling activities visit

[Counseling's website.](#)

DEF will be sharing important event and school information on its social media platforms. Please follow DEF on [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#) and share this post with your friends so they can stay up-to-date too!

get social with **DEF**
D'Evelyn Education Foundation



Instagram:
[@develyn_education_foundation](#)



Facebook:
D'Evelyn Education Foundation



FOLLOW, LIKE, SHARE

D'EVELYN'S AFTER PROM

Your help is needed! D'Evelyn's After Prom is a parent planned event designed to give our kids a safe place to continue Prom celebrations and is a super fun event to volunteer for!

Students can attend After Prom, even if they choose not to attend the dance. The party is full of fun activities like swimming, bounce houses, a climbing wall, games, food, and much more.

You are also welcome to send any questions to defafterprom@gmail.com.

Interest Signup Form: [After Prom Pre Planning Interest - 2025](#)

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 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](#)

D'EVELYN EDUCATION FOUNDATION

EXTENDING THANK YOU TO THE STEERING COMMITTEE FOUNDERS



*Left to right: Roberta Sutton, Kathi Pitzer, Les Burch, Carolyn DeRaad, Susan Delcour
Seated: Marie Nicholas, Lloyd Carlton (1st principal)*

On August 17, 1994, D'Evelyn Junior/Senior High School opened its doors. In honor of the 30th anniversary of our school, it would be remiss not to take a moment to recognize the founders whose vision for an ideal secondary school resulted in the outstanding liberal arts program your child(ren) receive at D'Evelyn.

Each founding parent brought tenacity, dedication and motivation along with their unique strengths and passions to create a school with rigorous academic and behavioral standards. The initiating committee believed that "the purpose of education is to convey an essential body of cultural knowledge to the next generation, and that a solid liberal arts education is required in order for all citizens to be effective participants in their communities"
(Founding Document, 1).

The work of the Steering Committee is to protect the integrity of the philosophy of the program and ensure the delivery of this strong liberal arts education.

Founders, for your vision, time, commitment, wisdom and knowledge thank you!
D'Evelyn students and graduates are forever blessed by the legacy that you have created.

*This article was originally written by Steering and ran in the 2018 Jag Tracks in honor of the 25th anniversary. It has been edited and reshared in honor of D'Evelyn celebrating the 30th anniversary.

STEERING COMMITTEE

Happy Halloween week! D'Evelyn Junior/Senior High School Accountability

WHO? Parents, students, teachers and admins



WHEN?

November 12, 5:30-7:30pm
Then, second Tuesday of every month

WHY?

Speaker SEL Kelly Benninghoff
Sources of Strength
Parent conversations: Sense of belonging
Student experience & SIP

HOW?

Show up!
Please Sign up:



WHERE?

DHS Library
In person: 5:30-7:30pm
Virtual link: updates/speakers only

Communication between parents, students, administrators and community

*Sponsored by the D'Evelyn Accountability committee

ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE