



D'EVELYN JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL

JAG TRACKS

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PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Hello D'Evelyn Junior/Senior High School Community,

Although it was a brief week due to Martin Luther King Jr. Day and a two-hour delay on Tuesday, we still experienced another eventful week at D'Evelyn Jr/Sr High School.

The D'Evelyn Instrumental Music Department had tremendous participation in the last two Jefferson County Honor Festivals the past two Fridays. Students from grades 6-12 in both band and orchestra were selected to participate in these All-Star Music Ensembles, representing the best of all Jeffco Instrumental Music Students. Between the two music programs D'Evelyn had 32 students participate in these groups. The Band will perform at 6:00 PM this evening, followed by the Orchestra at 7:30 PM, both at West Bowles Community Church.

[Link to Website for Tickets](#)

Thanks for supporting our rockstars!

We would like to extend our sincere appreciation to Keith Beams, Brennan Gause, Jodi Bolam, Rob Labenberg, the 6th Grade Team, and all of the parent volunteers whose efforts contributed to the success of last Friday's 6th Grade Social. The students had a wonderful time and are truly grateful for your support.

I'm looking forward to next week, including visiting the 6th graders at Outdoor Lab.

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](#)



JAN 25 - FEB 22

JAN 27: STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 4:30-6:30PM

JAN 28-31: 6TH GRADE TO OUTDOOR LAB

FEB 1: SADIE HAWKINS DANCE 7-10PM

FEB 3-7: WISH WEEK

FEB 4: TALENT SHOW 7PM

FEB 7: JUNIOR HIGH SOCIAL 3:15-4:45PM

FEB 7: DEF ANNUAL GALA 6-11PM

FEB 8: SYMPHONIC BAND PERFORMS WITH THE COLORADO WIND ENSEMBLE 6:30PM

FEB 10: STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 4:30-6:30PM

FEB 11: ACCOUNTABILITY MEETING 5:30-7:30PM

FEB 13: PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES 3:45-5:45PM

FEB 14: NO SCHOOL - POSSIBLE SNOW DAY MAKEUP

FEB 17: NO SCHOOL - PRESIDENT'S DAY

FEB 18: DEF MEETING 6-7PM

FEB 20: SPRING SPORTS PARENTS INFO MEETING 6-7PM

FEB 21-22, 27-28, MARCH 1: SPRING MUSICAL 7-9PM

[Link to Master Calendar](#)

FEBRUARY 2025						
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HONOR ROLL - FALL 2024

The Honor Roll is an important way that students are recognized for their academic achievements at D'Evelyn. The Honor Roll is broken into four categories and is based on the grades from the fall semester of 2024-2025: (weighted grade point averages are used in these calculations)

[Platinum - Students earned a 4.0 or higher](#)

[Gold - Students with G.P.A.s of 3.75 - 3.99](#)

[Silver - Students with G.P.A.s of 3.5 - 3.74](#)

[Bronze - Students with G.P.A.s of 3.0 - 3.49](#)

If your child's name is missing, on the wrong list, or misspelled, or you have any questions about the Honor Roll, please email me at skottcam@jeffco.k12.co.us. Parents of Honor Roll students should visit the main office to pick up their "D'Evelyn #Honor Student" bumper sticker. Congratulations to all students who earned an Honor Roll recognition. Your work ethic and dedication to your studies are applauded by our community.

D'EVELYN BEHAVIOR MATRIX

We are excited to share that this school year, our staff has been working together to develop a school-wide behavior matrix designed to support and reinforce positive behavior expectations for all students. This initiative reflects our commitment to fostering a safe, respectful, and welcoming learning environment where every student can thrive. To learn more and see the matrix, click [HERE](#).

DEF 30TH ANNIVERSARY GALA

The DEF's annual Gala will be on Friday, February 7th starting at 6pm. This is the largest fundraiser for DEF which raises money to supports all students at D'Evelyn. For more information on this event and how to purchase tickets, click [HERE](#).

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/>



REGISTER FOR SPRING SPORTS

Registration for High School spring sports is **open now until February 21st at 3pm**. D'Evelyn offers: [Baseball](#), [Track & Field](#), [Girls Soccer](#), [Girls Tennis](#), [Girls Golf](#), [Boys Swim & Dive](#), and [Boys Volleyball](#). Some sports interest meetings have been posted in the hallways and shared through announcements. For more information on registering click [HERE](#).

Junior High sports are supported through [Lakewood Recreation](#). Please head to their website to register your student.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

The Jags girls' basketball program has had a fantastic start to the 2024-2025 season, continuing our rich tradition of excellence. The Varsity is 12-0 and the program is a combined 25-1! All this success despite losing 6 decorated seniors from last year and having only 22 players to field 3 teams this year. That success might come as a surprise to outsiders, but not to the 22 dedicated athletes working hard every day in the gym. Our 2 captains, senior Ellie McMann and sophomore Colleen Monahan, have helped guide a Varsity roster of 3 seniors, 2 juniors, 2 sophomores, and 2 freshmen through countless learning lessons in the first half of the season. Those lessons will be put to the test once the tough Jeffco League schedule starts, but no worries, this team will be ready for every challenge!



WINTER TRACK

Winter Track is in full swing! Our team of 30 athletes in grades 6-12 has been training hard since November. We've already had a blast at our Reindeer Games before the break and have competed in three exciting indoor meets at Mines. We have two more meets to go, so wish them luck - they have made amazing progress!



[Spring Track & Field](#) is just around the corner! High school athletes will kick off their season in late February.

We can't wait to see what these athletes will achieve!

[Registration is now open!](#)

ATHLETICS

JUNIOR HIGH STUDENT COUNCIL

Junior High Student Council ran a fundraiser in December to benefit the Denver Rescue Mission. Click [HERE](#) to read more about their philanthropic work.

SADIE HAWKINS DANCE

This year's Sadies dance will be on **Saturday, February 1st from 7-10pm**. The theme is "Rave in Rio." This is a fun activity as well as a fundraiser for the Cheerleading team. They are raising money to help send them to nationals. Tickets for this event will be \$13 when purchased at lunch next week, and \$15 at the door. This dance is for High School students only.



WISH WEEK

Wish Week is, **February 3rd through the 7th**. D'Evelyn Student Council's goal is to raise \$20,000 and send our wish kid, Sawyer, to Tokyo. Click [HERE](#) to meet Sawyer. Please help us in making his wish come true by donating to this [link](#). Any amount is greatly appreciated. Please share this information with your family and friends to further support this cause. There will be a Make-A-Wish fundraiser at Dutch Bros tomorrow, **Saturday, January 25th**. \$1 from every drink will be donated to the foundation.



SPIRIT DAYS

- Monday (2/3): Class Generation Day (upperclassmen: babies, underclassmen: parents, junior high: elders, staff: teenagers)
- Tuesday (2/4): Tacky Tourist Day
- Wednesday (2/5): Wicked Day (Elphaba - green - vs. G(a)linda - pink)
- Thursday (2/6): West Coast (beach) vs. Wild West (cowboy)
- Friday (2/7): Wish Week Shirts / Black Out



TALENT SHOW

The 2nd annual Wish Week talent show will be **Tuesday, February 4th at 7pm**. This event is a great chance to see how amazing our Jags really are. The show is FREE, but donations are encouraged. We hope to see you at the show.

MATHCOUNTS

Mathcounts is a fun program that engages junior high students and gets them excited about math. In last years Jeffco Chapter Competition, D'Evelyn's Mathcounts team won 1st place and four Jags were in the top six. Our Mathcounts team this year has nine members who will be heading to the Jeffco Chapter Competition on **Friday, February 7th**. We wish them luck.

Go Jags!

BAND PERFORMANCE

The High School Symphonic Band has been given the opportunity to perform with the Colorado Wind Ensemble on **Saturday, February 8th at 7:30pm**. This exciting concert will be at the King's Center Concert Hall located on Auraria Campus in Denver. Tickets are available at the Auraria website: <https://ahec.universitytickets.com/w/event.aspx?id=1865>



DEF SCHOLARSHIPS



DEF annually gives over 20 scholarships to D'Evelyn students. Click [HERE](#) to visit the DEF scholarship page and read about the requirements for each scholarship.

All applications and documentation are due to the counseling office by **February, 28th at 11:59pm.**

DENNISON PTA SCHOLARSHIP

Dennison Elementary's PTA is awarding two \$1000 scholarships. Applicants must have attended Dennison Elementary. Pick up an application from Ms.

Crystal or download application from here: [2025 Scholarship - Dennison Elementary PTA Scholarship for High School Seniors](#). The deadline is April 1st

NEWS FROM THE JUNIOR HIGH COUNSELORS

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COLLEGE VISITS

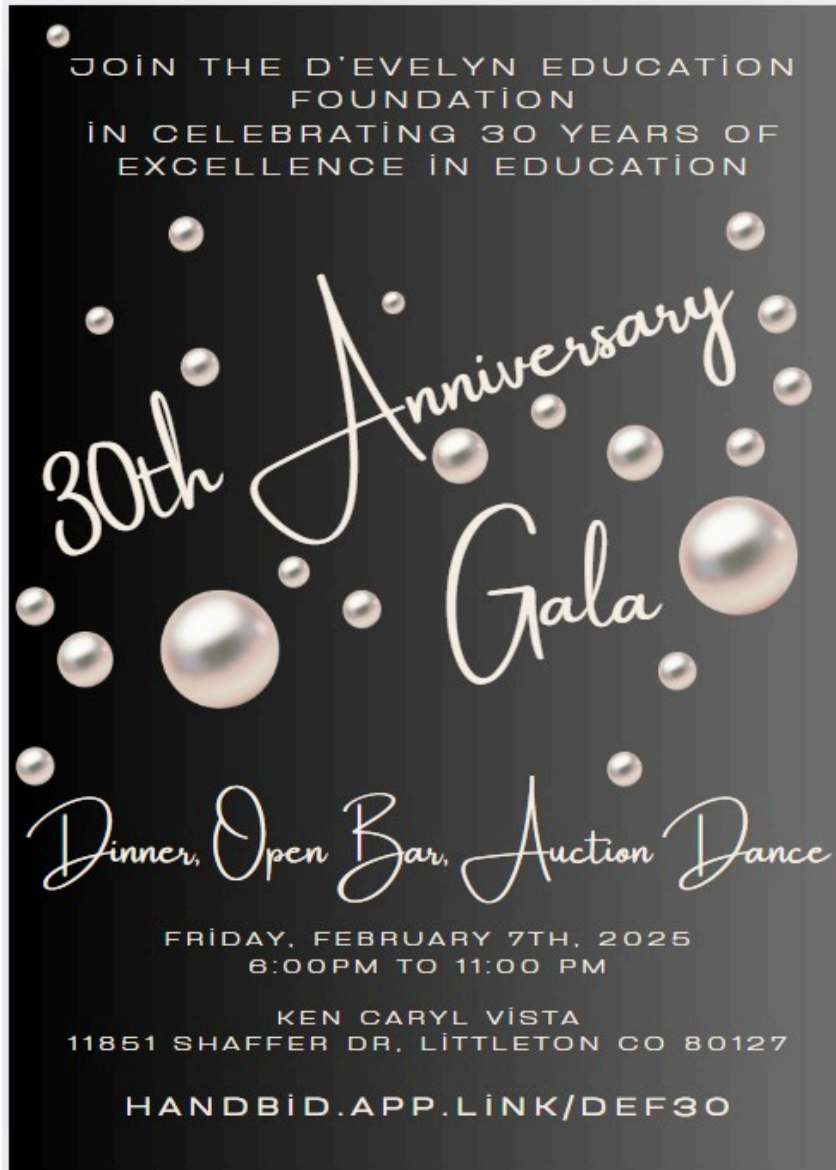
Abilene Christian University - January 30th

Western Colorado University - February 11th

U.S. Air Force with Lt. Nathan Burk - February 19th

Charleston Southern University - March 5th

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



Please [SIGN UP HERE](#) to help with DEF's largest fundraising event of the year or email develyn.auction@gmail.com to join the #Gala Squad

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!

SCHOOL STORE

The school store will not be open for in-person purchasing through out the month of January. If you make a purchase online, you will be notified when it will be available to pick up at the front office.

Click [HERE](#) to see what is available online.

TEACHER APPRECIATION CORNER

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



D'EVELYN ACCOUNTABILITY AND STEERING COMMITTEES
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January 23, 2025

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

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Executive Director Department of School Safety
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Re: Second Campus Supervisor Needed – D'Evelyn Junior Senior High School

Dear Mr. Pierson:

The D'Evelyn Accountability and Steering Committees are writing on behalf of their members and the parents of D'Evelyn to request a second full-time Campus Supervisor at D'Evelyn as soon as possible.

As you know, there was recently a security incident at D'Evelyn. We appreciate the communication from the school, the district, and the Jeffco Sherriff's office. The unauthorized person was in the building for 40 minutes without detection. During the discussions with parents (in particular during the January 14, 2025 after-action meeting) it became clear from the description of the incident by staff and the school resource officer that two Campus Supervisors would be more likely to detect unauthorized people in the building sooner. D'Evelyn previously had two Campus Supervisors and the time has come to return to having two.

D'Evelyn should have two campus supervisors because in many ways, it is two schools, with a full middle school and a high school. Even putting aside the unique structure, from a pure enrollment perspective, D'Evelyn with over 1200 students, is over the threshold for having a single Campus Supervisor. We understand that D'Evelyn staff has requested a second Campus Supervisor in previous budget cycles without success. Now is the time.

We appreciate your attention and please reach out to us with any questions.

Best Regards,

D'Evelyn Accountability and Steering Committees
Accountability Chair – Magdalena Arbat-Pennington
Steering Co-Chair – David Belmonte
Steering Co-Chair – Melinda Bochner

cc:Josh Shapiro, D'Evelyn Principal

ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE