



Daniel C. Oakes High School Newsletter

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News from Derek Fleshman, Daniel C. Oakes High School Principal

New Website: Douglas County is moving towards having all schools adopt a universal and cohesive web service. We have created our website which can be seen at: <https://dcohs.dcsdk12.org> The site contains a new calendar system with upcoming events, current events, and resources for our families. If you find some time to visit the site, we would appreciate any feedback you might have.

December Graduation: To celebrate the accomplishments of our graduates and to help remind our students of what they are working towards, our graduation celebration is a mandatory attendance event for all students. Please make sure to schedule our December 9th (8:30 – 12:00) ceremony on your calendar now.

The Return of Oakes-giving: We are very excited to announce that we can return (partially) to one of our most honored traditions this year! On November 11 we will gather as a school body and have a Thanksgiving feast. Students will be asked to bring food to contribute to our luncheon by school success teacher (secret family recipes are always a hit). Please label any container your student will bring so we can make sure it arrives back home safely. Historically we have invited graduates, student family members, and the greater community to partake, but given where we are currently with the Pandemic, we will only be allowed to have current students and staff participate this year. We are hopeful that next year will see us return to a larger community event. Students will have a half-day schedule on November 11, being dismissed around noon.

When Parenting Gets Tough: Families First, celebrating its 30th year, is a private, non-profit, non-sectarian agency devoted to empowering parents, nurturing children, and strengthening families. Other family support services include parenting classes, infant massage, seminars, and free Circle of Parents® groups. You can contact the FAMILY SUPPORT LINE toll-free in Colorado: 1-877-695-7996 or 1-800-CHILDREN. In Spanish...CONSEJOS PARA FAMILIAS: 1-866-LAS-FAMILIAS (866-527-3264). They are open 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. every day. You can also visit their website at www.FamiliesFirstColorado.org Whatever your child's age or your concern, the Family Support Line of Families First can help. This free, confidential phone line offers a listening ear, support during challenging parenting times, information, referrals to community agencies, and useful articles and tips.

You can find support with:

- Dealing with behavior issues
- Single parenting
- Living with teens
- Setting limits and boundaries
- Support groups & parenting classes
- Developmental growth
- ... and much more

School Advisory Council: At our first SAC meeting we elected, our chairperson for the 2021-2022 school year. Please email our chair, Victoria Hostin, vhostin73@yahoo.com, with questions, comments, or agenda items to be considered for an upcoming meeting. Our next SAC meeting will take place on January 27, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. in our Conference Room.

Important Dates to Remember:

Nov 12	Teacher Work Day/Pro. Development Day
Nov 22	Teacher Work Day/Pro. Development Day
Nov 23	Teacher Comp. Day (School Closed)
Nov 22 - 26	Thanksgiving Break
Dec 9	Winter Commencement Ceremony ***Mandatory Student Attendance***
Dec 9	2nd Quarter Ends (41 days)
Dec 10	Teacher Work Day/Pro. Development Day
Dec 10 – Jan 3	Winter Break
Jan 4	3rd Quarter Begins
Jan 17	MLK, Jr. Holiday (School Closed)
Jan 27	Parent/Teacher Conferences 5:00 – 8:00 PM

School Advisory Council Meeting @ 6:00