



PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Hello D'Evelyn Junior/Senior High School Community,

We would like to thank everyone for their continued cooperation as we had a smooth transition to a single main entrance, which has had a significant positive impact on the overall safety of our building. Your support in maintaining a safe environment is greatly appreciated.

I'm pleased to provide an update on the progress we've made in enhancing our security personnel. We have strengthened our team by welcoming Shannon Smith, who started last week as a new Campus Supervisor, bringing our total number of supervisors to two. Additionally, Dustin Weber has been confirmed as our new full-time School Resource Officer (SRO), and we anticipate his full-time presence on campus shortly. During the interim period, Jeffco R1 Security will be providing reliable security coverage whenever Dustin is out of the building. These key additions significantly increase our resources dedicated to monitoring and maintaining a secure school environment.

In addition to expanding our security team, we have completed a significant physical security upgrade with the installation of new door alarms. I want to confirm that all exterior doors at D'Evelyn will be equipped with these operational door alarms, which serves as a crucial extra layer of security for preserving the security of access points to our building. These collective actions, combining a stronger personnel presence with enhanced physical infrastructure, highlight D'Evelyn's ongoing commitment to a safe and protected learning environment for our community.

As we continue to navigate the aftermath of the tragic events in Evergreen, we want to express our deepest empathy and support for all of our students and families. We know that this period has been incredibly difficult, and we remain dedicated to providing a safe and supportive learning environment for everyone in our community.

As part of our ongoing commitment to student and staff safety—and in accordance with Colorado state law—we will conduct our annual lockdown drill on Monday, November 10th.

Lockdown drills are not only a legal requirement, but also a proven, life-saving practice. They are a critical component of our school's emergency plan, providing students and staff a chance to practice how to respond to a real emergency in a calm and coordinated way.

We recognize that for many, these drills may now be a source of heightened anxiety or stress. The safety of our students is always our top priority, but we also want to be mindful of the emotional well-being of our school community.

If you have any concerns about your child's ability to participate in this drill, please contact us at 303-982-1092. We are committed to working with you to ensure your child feels safe and supported, and we can discuss alternative arrangements for the drill as needed.

Our counselors and support staff are also available to speak with any student or family member who may be struggling. Please do not hesitate to reach out to us. We are here to help.

Thank you for your partnership and understanding.

I am looking forward to welcoming the D'Evelyn community to our annual Veterans Day Assembly on November 11th from 2:15 to 3:15 PM.

Go Jags!

Josh Shapiro, Principal

It is an honor to be your principal.

ATTENDANCE INFO

Please use Infinite Campus Parent Portal to update your students attendance This can be done through the [website](#) or the App. Click [HERE](#) for directions as well as the attendance policy.

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



NOV 8 - DEC 13

[Link to Master Calendar](#)

NOVEMBER 2025

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NOV 11: ACCOUNTABILITY MEETING 5:30-7PM

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

NOV 13: WINTER SPORTS PARENT MEETING 6:30-7:30PM

NOV 17: STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 4:30-6:30PM

NOV 18: D'EVELYN EDUCATION FOUNDATION MEETING 6-8PM

NOV 19: 8TH GRADE PARENT/STUDENT NIGHT 6-7PM

NOV 24-28: THANKSGIVING BREAK

DEC 1: STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 4:30-6:30PM

DEC 2: ACCOUNTABILITY MEETING 5:30-6:30PM

DEC 4: D'EVELYN OPEN HOUSE 6-8PM

DEC 5: JUNIOR HIGH DANCE 6-8PM

DEC 8: JH BAND/CHOIR/ORCHESTRA CONCERT 6-7:30PM

DEC 8: SH BAND/CHOIR/ORCHESTRA CONCERT 7:45-9:15PM

DEC 9: ACCOUNTABILITY MEETING 5:30-6:30PM

DEC 9: PROSPECTIVE STUDENT/DENNISON NIGHT 7-8PM

DEC 10: SH CHOIR/BAND/ORCHESTRA CONCERT 6-7:30PM

DEC 10: JH BAND/CHOIR/ORCHESTRA CONCERT 7:45-9:15PM

High School Planning Night for 8th Grade Families

We will be having a High School Planning Night for 8th Grade Families in the auditorium on **Wednesday, November 19th from 6-7 pm.**

At this meeting we will be presenting information that will help parents to get a better idea as to what D'Evelyn has to offer students in high school, and why we think our program leads to better long-term success. JeffCo will be opening their enrollment window for the 26-27 school year on December 2nd, and we want to make sure that our parents are fully informed before making such a critical decision.

This presentation is for all current D'Evelyn 8th grade families: those that were planning on continuing at D'Evelyn, those that are on the fence, and those that are planning on sending their child elsewhere. We think this presentation is valuable for all parents whether they are planning on having their students graduate from D'Evelyn or not.

We are excited, this year, to have a Q and A session with current D'Evelyn students, so they can share their experience. There will also be representatives from athletics and activities.

Heart of D'Evelyn - October

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: **Lucas Song, William Beams, Sully Stewart, Artem Dragomaretskyi, Maddie Wilson, Bishnu Shrestha, Oliver Hursh, Adelyn Volz, Natalie Duvall, Nicholas Kuruvila, Joel Gonzales, Memphis Hart, Chloe Drachenberg, August McFarland, and Kaeson Laabs** for being recognized, by staff, for your outstanding behavior.



Candy Donation

There will be bins at the front of the school by the jaguar where people can drop off extra candy for us to send to the troops.



Veteran's Day Assembly

Please join us as D'Evelyn honors our nation's heroes with our annual Veterans Day Presentation on **Tuesday, November 11**. We warmly invite you to bring family members and friends who are **current or former military veterans** to attend guests. Please arrive at **1:45 PM** to sign in and relax before the event begins; we will provide cupcakes, coffee, and water. Veterans and their families will be asked to proceed to the gymnasium around **2:20 PM**. We look forward to honoring the men and women who have served our country.

Speech and Debate

The high school Speech and Debate Team is off to a great start for the varsity season. Every student who competed for D'Evelyn at the Cherry Creek Classic on November 1 won an award; there were 32 schools at that tournament. Leading the team, Michael Morrissey was undefeated in the preliminary rounds of Lincoln-Douglas Debate and made it to the final round. He placed 7th overall out of 57 competitors. Andrew Garcia was awarded a superior ribbon and Reese Ascione was awarded an excellent ribbon, both in L-D Debate. The team of Tyler Feighny and Aidan Hettich was awarded excellent ribbons in Public Forum Debate.



Canned Food Drive



Spanish Honor Society is having it's annual Food Drive to benefit the Jeffco Action Center. Donation will be accepted from **November 14th-20th**. Please bring donations to your 1st period hour class. For more specifics click on the [FLYER](#).

D'Evelyn Artists

If you who are interested in seeing some of the great work that our Visual Arts students are creating, including Inktober, follow us at, https://www.instagram.com/develyn_artists/



Junior High Dance

We're thrilled to announce the first-ever Junior High Winter Dance happening on **Friday, December 5th from 6:00-8:00 PM!** The theme is, "Starry Night in New York." This exciting event is open to all D'Evelyn 6th, 7th, and 8th graders, **no guests from other schools allowed**. Click [HERE](#) for tickets, they are \$5 per student. We're are looking for volunteers for setup, clean-up, and chaperoning. Come enjoy music, food, games, and a chance to make new friends while celebrating the season! Mark your calendars now – this is one event you won't want to miss!

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

Dazzling Jags

Congratulations to Dan Porrecco on being named **4A Jeffco Softball Coach of the Year!**

Congratulations to Coach Chris Powers for receiving the **Gold Crown Foundation Fall Volleyball Coordinator of the Year.**

Winter Sports

Attention all parents of students participating in Winter Sports, DHS Athletics will host our preseason information night on **Thursday, November 13th at 6:30pm**. Our Athletic Director, Adam Kelsey, will share general information and expectations for the season. Registration will close on **Friday, November 14th** so get this done ASAP.

If you have questions please reach out to Mrs Raczynski,

beth.raczynski@jeffco.k12.co.us. Remember you will have a short time to register for these sports, no exceptions!

Boys Soccer

Congrats to our Boys Soccer team for a fantastic season which came to an end last night in the Round of 16 of the 4A CHSAA State Playoffs vs Greeley Central. Our Jaguars came up just short to the Wildcats by a score of 3-2. The tough season ending loss doesn't diminish the accomplishments of the team this year as they hosted and won a first round playoff game last week over Durango 4-0 and finished 3rd overall in a close Jeffco League race. The boys finished 12-4-1 overall in one of the best soccer seasons in recent school history.



FCA Interest Meeting

Attention all parents, Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) will be hosting a parents meeting to introduce you to our leaders, explain what our club does, and invite parents to get involved. The meeting will take place on **November 13th from 5-6pm** in Ms. Wilson's classroom (W104). If you have a student involved in FCA or are interested in getting involved, please come join us so we can tell you all about what we do!

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

Follow our athletics Instagram page [@develynathletics](#) for updates and celebrations!

News From the Junior High Counselors

Click [HERE](#) for the Newsletter



News From the High School Counselors

Click [HERE](#) for the Newsletter

News from the Social Emotional Learning Specialist

Click [HERE](#) for the Newsletter

Seeking Private Tutoring Resources



Counseling is hoping to create an updated private tutoring list for families in search of outside resources. We are hoping for tutoring resources who are familiar with working with D'Evelyn students. If you can recommend a private tutoring resource, please complete the following Google Form, [Recommended Private Tutors](#), so we can include your recommendation in our updated list. Thank you so much for your help.

College Visits

Hosting [college rep visits](#) gives students a chance to learn firsthand about schools, ask questions, and make personal connections with admissions officers. These visits during 7th Hour, help students discover new opportunities and make more informed college decisions. Students in Grades 9-12 are welcome to attend and must sign up in advance through Naviance.



For more information about upcoming college visits and counseling activities, follow us [@devcounseling](#) or visit [Counseling's website](#).

ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE

D'EVELYN JR/SR HS



November 11, 2025, 5:30-7:30pm

School updates, Principal Report

School groups and committees

Parent conversations

School Improvement Plan

DHS Library

In person: 5:30-7:30pm

Virtual link:

<https://dorsey.zoom.us/j/95106219675?pwd=Bi7s3lmhJLohGNo7nWTNWt7VNPXF54.1>

[AGENDA LINK](#)

**Show up!
or sign up:**



Communication between parents, students, administrators and community

***Sponsored by the D'Evelyn Accountability committee**

ACCOUNTABILITY

School Store

There are only 49 days till Christmas and the school store has some great gifts! Come check us out on Wednesdays 11 - 1:30 or at your convenience on our website.



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 time, items, or money toward any of the following events. If you have any questions or want to help outside of the options provided below 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. If you want to help with this endeavor you can adopt the teachers for a month through the link below.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084FABAB2CA1FEC52-58270142-adopt>

Amazon Wishlist for Teacher Appreciation

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 wish list 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.

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1UGNA3B4544MN?ref_=wl_share

D'Evelyn Sponsor

DEF is currently seeking business sponsors for the 2025-26 academic year. If you are interested, please email fundraising.def@gmail.com Click [HERE](#) to read more about the 3 package options. [FLYER](#)

To learn more about what DEF is working on, click [HERE](#) for the prospectus.

Steering Committee meetings are open to the public and take place twice monthly on Mondays. The next meeting is on: **Monday, November 17th from 4:30pm-6:30pm**. We adhere to all state of Colorado and Jefferson County School District transparency and open meeting laws.

The meeting agenda includes time for public commentary so that we can hear from our community. If you have questions, please visit our [website](#) to learn more about the unique role the Steering Committee plays at D'Evelyn Junior & Senior High School.

[Approved October 20th, 2025 Minutes](#)

November 3rd Meeting Highlights:

- Public Commentary
- Principal's Report
- Security Sub-Committee
- Discussion and Vote - CU-06-R and ST-01-R
- Discussion Colorado Healthy Kids Survey
- Upcoming Events
- Committee Updates
- Discussion of CO School of Mines pilot
- Updates on Budget Blueprint, CU-08-R3, and CU-04

Click [HERE](#) if you are interested in learning more about becoming a member of the Steering Committee board as well as contact information for the board.

Healthy Kids Survey

D'Evelyn High School students only, will participate in the Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment Colorado Healthy Kids Survey. The survey will be given on **November 17th during 7th hour**. Please take the time to look at the survey questions and opt-out if you choose to. Students are not required to take the survey and D'Evelyn does not use any of the data collected from the survey. The links for the survey as well as the opt-out form are below. More information was sent out by admin, on **Monday, November 3rd**.

[High School Survey](#)

[Opt-Out Form](#)

Scan the QR code if you would like to learn more about volunteer opportunities at D'Evelyn.

