



PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Hello D'Evelyn Junior/Senior High School Community,

As the week concludes, I want to take a moment to reflect on two incredibly important events that showcased the strength and character of the D'Evelyn community.

Last Tuesday's Veterans Day Assembly was truly amazing. We had a huge turnout, and I know all of our veteran and active service military members in attendance really appreciated the tribute. It was a powerful reminder of the values that guide our school: "Courtesy and respect for high moral and ethical standards will be required, and patriotism will be emphasized" (D'Evelyn Founding Document).

I would like to give a huge Shout Out to our keynote speakers, Colonel David Fennell and Colonel Josh Johnson, for their inspiring words. A massive thank you also goes to Mrs. Miller, the Concert Choir, Boy Scout Troop 640, Mrs. Skelton, Mrs. Raczynski, Ryan Bazz, and everyone who helped to make it such a successful and memorable event for our entire school community.

This past Monday, we conducted a lockdown drill, and I was truly impressed by the response. Our students and staff transitioned smoothly, moved to secure locations, and followed all the necessary steps with remarkable focus and seriousness. It was a clear testament to our community's commitment to safety. While I know these drills can be unsettling or feel like a disruption, the reason we practice them is simple and vital: to keep every person in this building safe.

I especially want to offer a sincere shout-out to Assistant Principal Adam Kelsey for his diligent work in coordinating and overseeing this drill, ensuring every detail of our protocol was covered. And, of course, a massive thank you to all of our students and staff—you did a great job executing the plan. Your partnership is essential to maintaining a secure and productive learning environment at D'Evelyn.

We had a very successful Accountability meeting last Tuesday, featuring a great turnout from the community. I want to extend a special thank you and shout out to our Activities Director, Ryan Bazz, who joined us to provide a valuable update on all the active clubs and activities available at our school. For more information on the topics covered, please see the Accountability page on our website.

I'm looking forward to next week, which includes our important High School Plan Night for 8th grade families on Wednesday.

Have a wonderful and restful weekend!

Go Jags!

Josh Shapiro, Principal

It is an honor to be your principal.

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USEFUL LINKS

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

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.



NOV 15 - DEC 20

[Link to Master Calendar](#)

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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 6-7:30PM

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 "SHOWCASE" 6-8PM

DEC 5: JUNIOR HIGH DANCE 6-8PM (D'EVELYN JH ONLY)

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

DEC 12: TRI-M WINTER BALL 7:30-10PM (D'EVELYN HS ONLY)

DEC 15: STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 4:30-6:30PM

DEC 17: FINALS 1ST - 3RD 8:15AM-12:50PM

DEC 18: FINALS 4TH - 6TH 8:15AM-12:50PM

DEC 19: FINALS MAKE-UP ALL OTHER STUDENTS NO SCHOOL

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 6-7:30pm.**

At this meeting we will be presenting information that will help 8th grade families 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.

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

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](#).



Marching Band Fundraiser

Chipotle Fundraiser for D'Evelyn Marching Band

Come to the Chipotle at 8100 W Crestline Ave on **Tuesday, November 18th from 5-9pm** and mention D'Evelyn or order online for pickup using code GJKYN3F. 25% of sales go to the marching band program.

D'Evelyn Robotics Team

The D'Evelyn Jr/Sr High School Robotics Team delivered a stellar performance at the BEST Robotics Competition on Saturday, November 8, 2025, ultimately securing a third-place finish and earning the Founders Award for Creative Design. Congratulations to all the team members that participated including Luke Battagline, Shubhang Vyas, Russell Castillo, Lillian Battagline, Milda Kuciauskas, Olivia Stuchell, Cora Battagline, Auste Kuciauskas, Nathaniel Burton, Matthew Morrissey, Juilee Joshi, Anitej Narumanchi, Aharshi Roy, and Anush Roy. A special thanks to the team's mentor and parent-volunteer Rick Battagline. Great job Jags! Click [HERE](#) to read more about the competition.



Speech and Debate

Congratulations to Michael Morrissey of the high school Speech and Debate team. On Saturday, November 8, the team competed at the Mustang Madness Tournament against 16 other schools. Michael qualified to the final round in Lincoln-Douglas Debate and placed 8th overall against 52 other debaters. Pictured are the members of the team who competed at Ralston Valley. Back row: Clara Grob, Reese Ascione, Andrew Garcia, Kalil Armstrong-Romero, Bishesh Pradhan. Front row: Aidan Hettich, Tyler Feighny, Michael Morrissey.



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 and will be available for purchase through December 3rd. 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!

Prospective Student Information Nights

For families interested in learning more about the D'Evelyn program please attend one of our upcoming Prospective Student Information Nights. Attendance at one of our information nights is **required** for all students interested in attending D'Evelyn.

We will host these events on:

December 4th at 6pm, December 9th at 7pm, and January 7th at 7pm.

The **December 4th** Showcase, night offers a chance for families to attend break out sessions and hear from current students, teachers, and parents about the D'Evelyn experience.

All prospective students must be entered into the D'Evelyn lottery in EnrollJeffco if they wish to seek enrollment for the 2026-2027 school year. This includes the younger siblings of current D'Evelyn students, children of D'Evelyn staff, and students currently attending Dennison Elementary School. We enroll new students in grades 6, 7, 8, and 9. Visit our website for more information.

Crafty Jags at New York Bagel Cafe

Congratulations to Intermediate Drawing class Gia Doll, Claudia Adams, Naly Heng, Devin Gao, Tonya Singleton, Kholoud Eid, Chase Fletcher, Ava Rael, William Houston, Angelika Khrestsov, Miles Hoskins, Elise Chen, Thomas Lafargue, and Kurt Fedorczyk. Their Analogous Light drawings are on display at New York Bagel Cafe, near the cross streets of Wadsworth and Yale until next month. Go check them out!

Follow the Crafty Jags Artistic Journey, including some sketching fun during Inktober, at: https://www.instagram.com/develyn_artists/



CRAFTY JAGS

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

Private Tutoring Resources



If you are seeking private tutoring resources, click to see the recommended [outside tutors list](#).

Counseling is still seeking additional 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](#).

School Store

There are only 41 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.

