



PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Hello D'Evelyn Junior/Senior High School Community,

It has been a great week to be a Jag. Between our Steering Committee and Accountability meetings, we have been doing a lot of the important work that keeps our school moving forward. On the more public side, it was wonderful to see so many new faces at our Information Nights, and I personally had a blast cheering on our athletes at several sporting events this week.

I want to give a special Shout Out to our Girls Basketball program for once again qualifying for the Great 8 Round of the 4A State Playoffs! There is nothing quite like the energy of our students when they are competing.

As we look ahead, I want to ask for your help with a specific challenge we are seeing on campus.

Helping Us Reduce Tardies

At D'Evelyn, we pride ourselves on a rigorous academic environment. Because our curriculum is so fast paced, the first few minutes of class are often the most critical. Unfortunately, our data shows that the highest volume of tardies occurs during first period.

Our first bell rings at 8:10 AM, and first period begins promptly at 8:15 AM. When a student walks in late, they are not just missing the introduction to the lesson; they are also inadvertently disrupting the focus of their classmates and teachers. We want every student to have a smooth and focused start to their day.

To address this, we will continue collecting data on tardies throughout the day, which will include conducting random tardy sweeps. During these sweeps, students who have an unexcused tardy to class will be issued a detention. Our goal is to ensure that students are in class on time and not disrupting the learning environment. At D'Evelyn, we hold our students to higher behavioral and academic standards, and punctuality is a key part of that expectation.

I am asking all our parents to help us tackle this. Whether it is leaving the house five minutes earlier to beat the neighborhood traffic or tightening up the morning routine, your support in getting your students to school on time makes a massive difference in the classroom.

We are all on the same team when it comes to your student's success, and starting the day on time is one of the simplest ways to ensure they stay on track.

Thank you for your continued support and for being such an engaged part of the D'Evelyn community.

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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USEFUL LINKS

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



MAR 14 - APR 18**[Link to Master Calendar](#)****MARCH 2026**

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MAR 16: STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 4:30-6:30PM

MAR 17: DEF MEETING 6-8PM

MAR 18: SENIOR PARENT MEETING 6-7PM

MAR 20: IMPROV SHOW 7PM

MAR 23-27: SPRING BREAK

MAR 30: NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

APR 1, 7, & 9: MATH PLACEMENT TEST 5PM

APR 3: SENIOR MONTAGES DUE TO COUNSELING

APR 6: STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 4:30-6:30PM

APR 7: MULTICULTURAL NIGHT 6-8PM

APR 8: CMAS GRADES 6-8, & 11

APR 8: NO SCHOOL GRADES 9, 10, & 12

APR 9: ATHLETICS' SIGNING

APR 11: DEF GALA & SILENT AUCTION 6-9PM

APR 13: CMAS GRDE 8, ALL OTHER GRADES REGULAR CLASSES

APR 14: ACCOUNTABILITY MEETING 5:30-7:30PM

APR 14: STEERING CANDIDATE FORUM 7:30-8:30PM

APR 15: CMAS 6TH-8TH, PSAT/SAT 9TH-11TH, NO SCHOOL 12TH

APR 18: PROM 8-11PM

APR 19: AFTER-PROM 12-2:30AM

APR 20: STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 4:30-6:30PM

APR 21: DEF MEETING 6-8PM

APR 23: IMPROV SHOW 6:30-7:30PM

APR 24: NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

Principal Survey

Please note that the annual principal survey is open until **Friday, March 20th**. The link to the online survey was sent to the D'Evelyn community soon via School Messenger on March 6th. Per agreement with the district, the Steering Committee collaborates with the District's Achievement Director on the principal evaluation. Your input on this survey is one valuable component of the multi-faceted evaluation process. The survey questions have been assembled based on D'Evelyn's Founding Documents and School Philosophy. All survey responses are anonymous. On behalf of the D'Evelyn 2025-2026 Steering Committee, thank you in advance for your time and feedback. [SURVEY LINK](#)

Senior Parent Meeting

The Spring Senior Parent Meeting is on **Wednesday, March 18th at 6pm**. There will be information about the senior events from now until the end of the year including: banquet, finals, and graduation. Please plan to attend if you have a senior.



Multicultural Night



Save the Date for D'Evelyn's Multicultural Night on **April 7th at 6:00pm**. Look for more details, including opportunities to participate [HERE](#). Thank you to Student Voice, Kelly Benninghoff, and Erin Ranum.

Library Closed

Due to an extended school activity, the library will be closed for 7th Hour and after school on **Monday March 16th, Monday, April 6th, and Monday, April 13th**. Students should make other arrangements on those dates.

Junior High Play

Congratulations to all the students who auditioned for the play. Casting has been posted on the drama door. There is a crew member interest meeting on **Monday, March 16th** after school in the auditorium. 6th-12th grade students are welcome to attend.

Orchestra

After a fantastic concert last week, our Jr. High Philharmonia Orchestra went to the Jeffco Middle School Orchestra Festival this week. They received a Superior rating for their performance!



Improv Show

Save the Date, the next improv show, by D'Evelyn Disguise, will be on **Friday, March 20th at 7pm**. Come out and enjoy the laughs.



Dazzling Jags

Congratulations to our 11 students who were selected to participate in the Jeffco Schools Foundation Equity and Excellence Art Show this year!

The Artist reception celebration is this **Friday, the 13th, from 5-7pm** at the Ed Center. The show is available for viewing through the end of the month; so if you are at the Ed Center, look for the little chanchitos!

Congratulations to: **Audrey Adle, Chloe Drachenberg, Emma Huynh, Cole Schenk, Kathryn Sherrill, Ruby Park, Sloane Fleener, Anna Wilson, Nika Bergbauer, Claudia Creel, Ev Johnsen.**



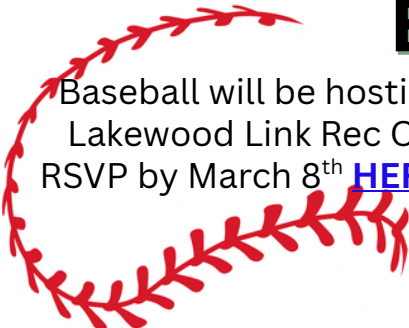
Spring Sports

Be sure to support our student-athletes this winter!

Click the sport below for more information.

[Baseball](#), [Track & Field](#), [Girls Soccer](#), [Girls Tennis](#), [Girls Golf](#),
[Boys Swim & Dive](#), [Boys Volleyball](#)

Baseball Fundraiser



Baseball will be hosting a fundraiser on **Saturday, March 14th** starting at **5pm** at the Lakewood Link Rec Center, 1295 S. Reed St., Lakewood 80232, in the Emory Room. RSVP by March 8th [HERE](#). Contact [D'Evelyn Baseball](#) for more information on this fun fundraising event.

Girls Soccer

Congrats on a strong start to the season after a season opening 1-1 tie with Holy Family and a 3-2 victory over Denver North! Big game tomorrow away vs Chatfield at 12pm!

Junior High Flag Football



SHOUT OUT to our Middle School Flag Football Teams for an amazing Fall season! This week we had a ring ceremony to celebrate the overall success of the program among our 6th, 7th and 8th grade teams. Overall, we posted a 26-2 record among all teams and the 8th Grade won the League Championship! Way to go Jags!!!

Girls Basketball

Another amazing season for the Lady Jags came to an end this week with a Great 8 loss to Kent Denver. Our program remains among the top in the 4A classification and posted an impressive 22-4 record overall.



D'Evelyn Cheer

We want you on D'Evelyn Cheer. No experience necessary and all 8th - 11th graders are welcome. Email [Coach Lindsey Holmes](#) with any questions. [INTEREST FORM](#)

- Open Gyms: **March 19th**
- Tryouts: **April 14th, 15th & 16th**



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

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.



Seniors

Senior Montages due in Counseling by **Friday, April 3, 2026**

- The Senior Montage is a way to honor your student, celebrate and reminisce on special moments of their life thus far. A montage is simply a photo collage of highlights from your senior's life. Please start gathering some favorite photos of your senior to create this showcase of special memories. Click [here](#) for additional instructions & sizing parameters.

Digital Slideshow Pictures are due **Friday, April 3rd, 2026**

- A digital slideshow is being created which will be shown at the Senior Banquet (& shared post graduation). We need your help! Please submit pictures of your senior [here](#). We request the following pictures:
 - One (1) picture of student in kindergarten
 - One (1) senior picture
 - Two (2) pictures maximum from school events either alone or with friends/groups (band, musicals, sports, activities, honor society, clubs, prom/dances, etc.). These can be from preschool, elementary, middle and/or high school.
 - Please **DO NOT INCLUDE** family trips, family events, individual trips/accoladesIf you have any questions, please reach out to kristi.jost@jeffco.k12.co.us.

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

Accountability Committee's Mission

The Accountability Committees mission, in D'Evelyn, is to serve in an advisory role to the principal and the Steering Committee. They are tasked with facilitating community engagement and supporting the school's continuous improvement efforts through the School Improvement Plan.

All community members are encouraged and welcome to attend the meeting.

The next meeting is on **April 14th from 5:30-7:30pm.**

There will be a **Steering Committee Candidate Forum** following the meeting from **7:30-8:30pm**. This is a change to get to know and ask questions of the candidates.

*Purchase your
tickets today!*

*Ticket prices go up after
March 20th!*

D'Evelyn Education Foundation
Annual Gala Auction

Garden Party

EAT. DRINK. GIVE BACK.

11th April | **SATURDAY** | At 6PM

Botanic Gardens at Chatfield Farms



[DEF Newsletter](#)

Teacher Appreciation Corner

Teacher Appreciation Week is coming up in May. We need your help to show the staff "It's time to RELAX, RECHARGE, and RENEW!" Below is a link to donate items for the week. Please select to have items delivered to Sarah McBride at checkout so we can easily collect and prepare all donations. [Amazon Link](#)

In April we will send out a Sign Up Genius so you can find opportunities to help with events of the week in person. If you have any questions please reach out to Sarah McBride at teacherappreciation.def@gmail.com



D'Evelyn Parents/Guardians:

The D'Evelyn Steering Committee is asking for a few minutes of your time to complete the [Principal Evaluation Survey](#) for the 2025-2026 school year. Per agreement with the district, the Steering Committee collaborates with the District's Community Superintendent on the principal evaluation. Your input on this survey is one valuable component of the multi-faceted evaluation process. The survey questions have been assembled based on D'Evelyn's Founding Documents and School Philosophy. Your thoughtful survey responses are important.

The survey is available through Friday, March 20. We ask parents to complete only one survey per household. To take the survey online, click on the survey link below to start. Please be assured via utilization of Survey Monkey software, your responses are anonymous. The survey will take about 5-10 minutes.

Thank you,
D'Evelyn Steering Committee

Steering Committee meetings are open to the public and take place twice monthly on Mondays. The next meeting is on: **Monday, March 16th 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 February 23rd, 2026 Minutes](#)

March 9th Meeting Highlights:

- Curriculum Review
- Votes: CU-04, APUSH History, Student Contracts, CU-06, DEF Board Candidates
- ST-06-F4 Dance Form
- Principal's Report
 - Budget, Hiring, Justification of 4 APs
- Committee Updates

Click [HERE](#) to learn more about becoming a member of the Steering Committee board as well as contact information for the board.