



D'EVELYN JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL JAG TRACKS

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PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Hello D'Evelyn Junior/Senior High School Community,

Our collaborative approach to school improvement continues to gain momentum. We recently held a very productive Accountability meeting where we worked together to further develop our School Improvement Plan. I want to extend a sincere thank you to all of our committee members; your insights and dedication are invaluable as we shape the future of D'Evelyn.

Additionally, I want to recognize the hard work of our students, teachers, and staff during last week's state testing. These weeks can be demanding, but thanks to everyone's preparation and focus, the process ran incredibly smoothly.

The energy on campus has been electric this week! I had the pleasure of catching an exciting match in the gym this past Wednesday, where our Boys Volleyball team played with great intensity and came away victorious. Congratulations to the players and coaches on a fantastic win.

That momentum carried through the rest of our Prom Spirit Week, culminating in an absolute powerhouse of a Pep Rally earlier today. A massive thank you goes out to Mrs. Sprague, Ryan Bazz, Student Council, the Rowdies, the Marching Band, and our Teacher Sponsors. They put in countless hours to organize such engaging events that truly build our school culture. We are all looking forward to a safe and memorable Prom and After-Prom tomorrow evening.

Finally, I am thrilled to share that the D'Evelyn Education Foundation (DEF) Gala was a resounding success. The event hosted over 170 attendees and raised more than \$110,000 to support our school's programs and students.

DEF would like to extend a special thank you to our Emerald Business Sponsors:

- Kulkarni Orthodontics
- Friday Wealth
- Plante Moran
- Taft / Sherman & Howard



We are also deeply grateful to all our donors and attendees. It is truly inspiring to see what we can accomplish when our community comes together.



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](#)



APR 18 - MAY 16

[Link to Master Calendar](#)

APRIL 2026

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APR 18: PROM 7-10PM

APR 19: AFTER-PROM 10:30-2:30AM

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

APR 21: DEF MEETING 6-8PM

APR 23: IMPROV SHOW 6-8PM

APR 24: NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

APR 29: SENIOR HIGH AWARDS 6PM (BY INVITATION ONLY)

APR 30-MAY 1: JUNIOR HIGH PLAY 7-9PM

MAY 4: STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 4:30-7:30

MAY 4: SENIOR HIGH CHOIR CONCERT 7PM

MAY 5: BAND CONCERT (ALL LEVELS) 7PM

MAY 7: ORCHESTRA CONCERT (ALL LEVELS) 7PM

MAY 7-8: MAP TESTING/SENIOR FINALS BLOCK SCHEDULE

MAY 8: SENIORS LAST DAY

MAY 11: STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 4:30-7:30

MAY 12 : ACCOUNTABILITY MEETING 5:30-6:30PM

MAY 12: JUNIOR HIGH CHOIR CONCERT 7PM

MAY 13: GRADUATION REHEARSAL 3-4:30PM

MAY 13: SENIOR BANQUET 6:30-9:30PM

MAY 14: JUNIOR HIGH AWARDS 6PM (BY INVITATION ONLY)

MAY 16: GRADUATION CEREMONY 10-12PM

Outdoor Lab Leaders Needed

Do you want to be a High School Leader at Outdoor Lab? Sign up today by using the QR code found on the posters in the halls. You must be a junior or a senior next year. We are going with our 6th graders, September 22nd-25th next fall. See Mr. Bazz for questions. [FLYER](#)

Senior Banquet

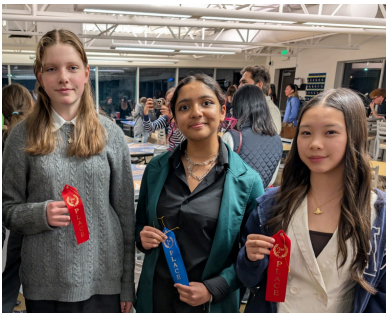
This year, for the first time, seniors will receive their awards from the Senior High Awards Night at the **Senior Banquet on May 13th at 6:30pm**. Remember this event is for the **senior student and their parents/step-parents only**. Senior students will therefore not need to attend the Senior High Awards Night on April 29th.

Tickets for the banquet, at Baldoria on the Water, are \$36 each and payment should be given to the [financial secretary](#) by April 29th.

Junior High Play

The Junior High play, "Alienated", will have shows on [April 30th](#) and [May 1st](#) at 7pm. This is a play about a group of wise-cracking students who gather to solve the mystery of a bright light and identify who among them might be an alien. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased through GoFan using the links on the dates above. [FLYER](#)





JH Speech and Debate

Jr. High Speech and Debate travelled to STEM School Highlands Ranch on April 10th. Congratulations to Anna Regmi for taking first place in Impromptu and in Program Oral Interpretation. Auste Kuciauskas and Yanyan Feng won all three of their debates and took second place.

All-State Band

Congratulations to Sarah Gee, Elena Sorkin, Oscar Young, Z Dalton, and Amira Gonzales who performed at the All-State band concert on April 11th.

The concert was amazing and all of you should be so proud of your hardwork and dedication to music.



Tri-M Coffee Jam

Senior High students! Please join Tri M at the coffee jam next **Thursday, April 23rd** after school in the cafeteria! Come see performances, art, and enjoy snacks and coffee! Hope to see you all there.

Improv Show

Join us for a melodrama put on by your seniors and the Improv Troup on **Thursday, April 23rd at 6pm**. Come out and enjoy the laughs in *Law and Order: Fairy Tale Unit*.". [FLYER](#)



AP Seniors Art Show

AP Art Seniors and Mrs. Lawrence are hosting the opening night of their senior art exhibition on **Monday April 27th from 5-7 pm** in the library! We have 12 incredibly talented artists showing off the portfolio they have been working on for the entire year! There will be over 100 works of art to see! The show will be up **April 27-May 6th** in the library! [FLYER](#)

Jeffco HS Art Show

19 D'Evelyn Senior High artists are currently showcased at the Jeffco Schools High School Art Show held at the Arvada Center!! Congrats to Addie Volz for her 2nd place Drawing and to Mahlee Conline for her 2nd place in Sculpture!! The show will be at the Arvada Center **until May 10th**! Go check out our talented Jag Artists!! [SLIDESHOW](#)

Voices and Visions

ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS! D'Evelyn's 2025-2026 Voices and Visions Anthology is here! Check out this book showcasing exceptional student work! Visit Mrs. Blair if interested in purchasing. [FLYER](#)

Travel Opportunity

Interested in a fabulous 2027 trip to Japan and South Korea? There are still spots available for current 8th-12th graders. This 10-day trip will visit historical and cultural sights in Tokyo, Kyoto, Seoul, and Busan. Email [Mrs. Newell](#) with any questions.

School Store

It's the end of the year and the school store will be closing for the season on **May 6, 2026**. The school store will need a new volunteer manager the following school year. It is a fun volunteer position if you like selling merchandise, seeing and talking with kids, being involved with school and going to events. It's great if you have a few parent friends you would like to join you in the store. I will have the store ready and stocked for next season. If interested in taking it over, please contact volunteer coordinator with DEF. Thank you for putting up with me for the last 4 years. Emily Acosta- proud senior mom

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](#)

Volleyball Fundraiser

Join the Boys' Volleyball team at Raising Cane's Lakewood, on **April 21 from 4-9pm!**

Mentioning the D'Evelyn Boys' Volleyball team at the register, or entering code RCFUND96 for online checkout, will give 15% of your purchase back to the program!

See you there! [FLYER](#)

Aim Sports Camp

AIM Sports Camps: Community Discount for Dennison & D'Evelyn AIM Sports Camps is proud to offer a school-specific \$30 discount on tuition for the Dennison and D'Evelyn communities! These multi-sport camps are perfect for boys and girls in grades K-8 looking to stay active this summer. Programs are available in June at both the Littleton and Mullen locations. See [FLYER](#) for more details

Boys Basketball

Coach Greg Scheckenbach and the Boys Basketball Program will be holding an interest meeting during **7th Period on Tuesday April 21st** in the cafeteria. Interested 8th graders and upperclassman should attend. Current players are also asked to attend. [FLYER](#)

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.



Graduation

Class of 2026 Graduation: D'Evelyn Jr./Sr. High School
Event: **May 16, 2026 @ Ellie Caulkins Opera House, 10am**

****NEW**** Cords will only be approved and purchased by the main office. The criteria for students to wear cords is being a member of the following Honor Societies + Seal of Biliteracy. These groups hold a high standard of academic focus and rigor: Spanish Honor Society, French Honor Society, Latin Honor Society, National Honor Society, Tri M, Mu Alpha Theta, and Seal of Biliteracy.

Graduation rehearsal is on **May 13th, 3pm** in the D'Evelyn Auditorium. Student who have returned all library books and paid all their fees will receive their cap and gown at that time.

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 last Accountability Meeting of the year will be on **Tuesday, May 12th from 5:30-6:30pm.**

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. [Wishlist](#)

If you want to help in other ways throughout the week, you can go to the Sign Up Genius below to find a variety of opportunities.

[Sign Up Genius](#). If you have any questions please reach out to Sarah McBride at teacherappreciation.def@gmail.com



DEF Gala

Thank you to all community members who contributed to the success of the DEF Spring Gala.

We hope you had a great time at the Gala. A special thanks to our committee for creating an evening to remember. From the food, to the music, to the beautiful setting and lively conversation, we all had a blast!

For those who couldn't make it:

[OUR EXPERIENCE PARTIES ARE STILL LIVE!](#)



We are close, help us reach our fundraising goal of \$140,000 to continue to support our students, staff, arts, sports and safety initiatives!

[Please see this video created by D'Evelyn Parent and Board member Rick Higgins.](#)

Thank you! The D'Evelyn Education Foundation

[DEF Membership Link](#)

Steering Committee meetings are open to the public and take place twice monthly on Mondays. The next meeting is on: **Monday, April 20th from 4:30pm-7:30pm.** 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 March 16, 2026 Minutes](#)

April 6th Meeting Highlights:

- Votes: ST-06-F4 Dance Form, ST-05-F5 Student Council Lettering
- Discussions: Civic Engagement, Security, Healthy Kids Survey, Title IX Violation
- ST-06-F3 Graduation Contract
- Principal's Report
 - Hiring, 26-27 CRs, AP Staff Survey, Jag Tracks Data
- Committee Updates
- Executive Session

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