



FFC8 Updates

School Board Appreciation Month

January is School Board Appreciation Month. Look for some videos on Facebook and Instagram featuring our board members. They have been shadowing various staff members in the district.

FFC8 Multicultural Night

FFC8 Multicultural Night has been rescheduled to January 22, 2026. It will be held at Fountain Middle School in the cafetorium from 5:00 - 8:00 PM. Please join us for food, fun, and celebration.



Holly Jolly Volleyball Toy Drive Success

A HUGE thank you to all our staff who came out to support the Volleyball Toy Drive! Over \$4,800 was raised along with 2 huge boxes of toy donations.

Congrats to Fountain-Fort Carson High School staff for taking home the victory after some exciting rounds on the court!





THANK YOU!

A big thank you to our incredible district staff who generously donate a portion of their monthly paychecks to support our school district food pantry.

Your ongoing commitment ensures that students and families facing food insecurity have dependable access to nutritious options throughout the year and helps make events like our recent Food Drive and Turkey giveaway tremendously successful.

How to Give:

During **Benefits Open Enrollment in April**, you'll have the option to elect or decline a monthly contribution.

Top #FFC8Family Moments

Abrams Elementary Ribbon Cutting

In December, we celebrated the ribbon-cutting for our brand-new Abrams Elementary School building! If you missed the ribbon-cutting, you can [watch the Livestream Recording](#).



School Collaboration

Fountain-Fort Carson High School students with FFCLA, ECOC, and Softball volunteered to help out Mesa Elementary School with their family holiday night!

We love to see the collaboration between schools!



Lt. Governor Visits FFCHS

Lt. Governor Dianne Primavera visited Fountain-Fort Carson High School and met with some of their Native Student Union students. She learned all about the school's new class on Native American History of the West (NAHW).



Share the Awesome!

We know you've got BIG plans, creative ideas, and amazing moments coming to life in your buildings and classrooms this year, and we want the whole FFC8 community to see them!

[Submit a Story Idea](#)

- **Share your own story:** Capture photos/ video and upload them to the form with a description
- **Request coverage:** If something special is happening and you'd like someone to stop by and capture the moment, let us know by filling out the form.

Staff Accomplishments/ Shoutouts

Make IT Happen Award

Congratulations to Eagleside Elementary School Library Media Specialist Sammi Williams for receiving the first Make IT Happen Award given out by the FFC8 Technology department.

This award recognizes non-tech department employees for their contributions, collaboration, and support of the Technology Department.

"Sammi is a strong partner with our tech. department, always willing to help us test and understand software and equipment in order to better serve our staff and students." - Landon Finch, Director of Technology



Presenting at CASB

Our school board recently attended CASB (Colorado Association of School Boards) to learn best practices in governance and supporting students across our districts.

FFC8 Director of Communications Christy McGee co-presented with a COSPRA colleague during the conference on "How Leaders Use Communication to Win Trust."

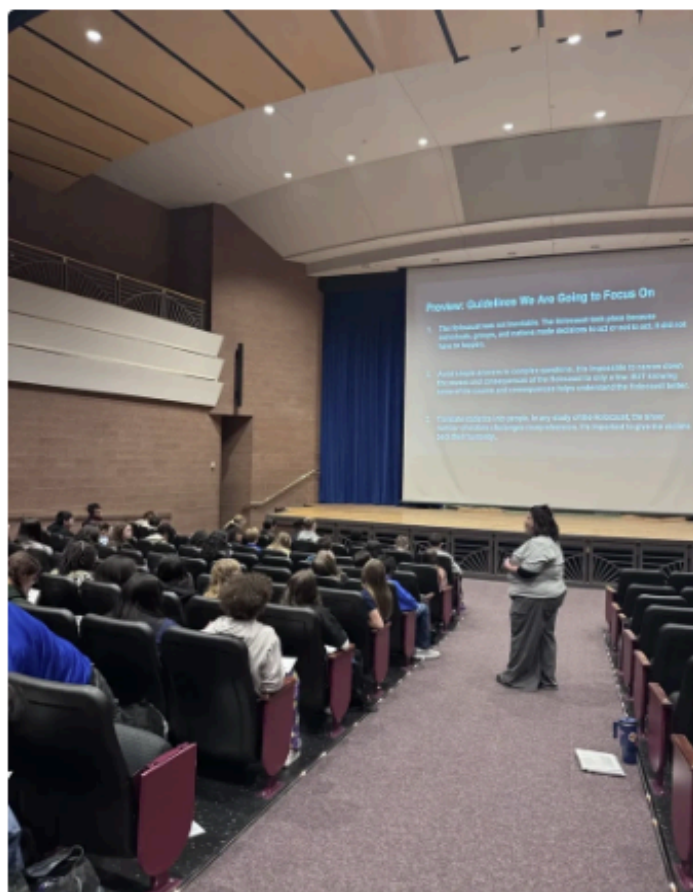


Staff Shoutout: Katie Johnson

Katie Johnson (FFCHS Social Studies Teacher) received a shoutout from a staff member about her very engaging 2-day lesson she created and presented to all 9th-grade Global Studies classes.

She created a pre-lesson for students to complete in their classrooms to discuss what life was like for Jews in Europe prior to the Holocaust, and then the second day, she did a group presentation with about 60-80 students each period. The second presentation was to engage students in an interactive timeline showcasing the key events that occurred before, during, and after WWII.

"Katie is passionate, knowledgeable, and engaging! I know that she was highlighted a couple of years ago on the district media about becoming a fellow for the US Holocaust Museum, but I am hoping you can showcase her again for continuing to work hard with this content, taking her day to teach our 9th graders."





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