



PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Hello D'Evelyn Junior/Senior High School Community,

I want to thank our students, staff, families, and community members for a successful first week of school. It was inspiring to see our new 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th graders attending orientation, getting familiar with the D'Evelyn way, meeting their teachers, and making new friends. I was so impressed by how warm and welcoming our entire staff was toward students, families, and each other that day. This same level of respect and school pride continued throughout the week.

I am also immensely proud of our D'Evelyn student-athletes who were recognized by the Board of Education yesterday for their state championship achievements:

- Nisha Gupta – Class 3A No. 3 Doubles State Champion
- Angela Leider – Class 3A No. 4 Doubles State Champion
- Julia Leider – Class 3A No. 4 Doubles State Champion
- Sereyana Miller – Class 3A Girls 4x400-Meter State Champion
- Aubrey Van Opdorp – Class 3A Girls 4x400-Meter State Champion
- Arianna Griffin – Class 3A Girls 4x400-Meter State Champion

A huge shoutout goes to our dedicated coaches as well! Their leadership, expertise, and untiring support behind the scenes play a massive role in guiding these athletes to state-level excellence.

On top of those honors, I was able to catch our girls volleyball team in action last night. As always, I came away so impressed by their energy, grit, and teamwork on the court.

I look forward to seeing you at Back to School Night on Thursday, August 27th, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. This is an important opportunity for parents and guardians to meet teachers, learn more about the curriculum, and understand specific expectations for each class. Please have a copy or digital access to your student's class schedule via Infinite Campus. As a reminder, this event is for parents and guardians only.

I'm also looking forward to seeing everyone at our Junior High BBQ at Clement Park today from 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM!

One Pack. One Purpose. 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.

10359 W. NASSAU AVE.
DENVER, CO 80235

MAIN OFFICE:
303-982-2600

[Link to Master Calendar](#)

SEPTEMBER 2026

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Junior High Only Events



High School Only Events



JH and HS Events

- AUG 21 - SEP 25**
- AUG 21: JUNIOR HIGH BBQ AT CLEMENT PARK 5-7PM
 - AUG 24: 6TH GRADE PARENT OUTDOOR LAB MEETING 6-7PM
 - AUG 24: PICTURE DAY
 - AUG 24: STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 4:30-6:30PM
 - AUG 27: BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT 6-8PM
 - AUG 27-28: MAP TESING (BLOCK SCHEDULE)
 - AUG 28: EARLY RELEASE 2:15 - XC DASH
 - SEP 3: PICTURE MAKE-UP DAY
 - SEP 7: NO SCHOOL
 - SEP 9: COLLEGE NIGHT 6-8PM
 - SEP 14: STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 4:30-6:30PM
 - SEP 14-18: HOMECOMING WEEK
 - SEP 18: NO SCHOOL
 - SEP 18: HOMECOMING DANCE 7-10PM
 - SEP 21: STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 4:30-6:30PM
 - SEP 22-25: 6TH GRADE TO OUTDOOR LAB
 - SEP 23: PICTURE RETAKE

Picture Day

Picture Day is on **Monday, August 24th**. If you would like to purchase pictures, go to mylifetouch.com and use the picture day ID: **EVTJ2SFRF**. Information regarding purchasing yearbooks will be available soon.



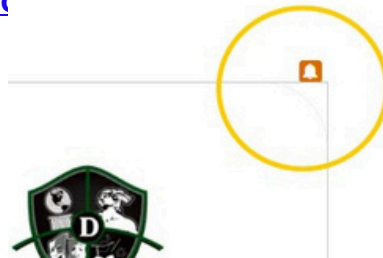
Student Fees

Please take time to review and pay your student fees. Click [HERE](#) to log into Infinite Campus, or contact the financial secretary, Ashley Schilz, with any questions ashley.schilz@jeffco.k12.co.us



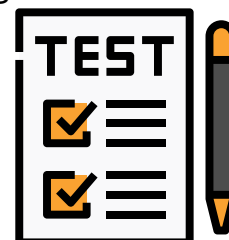
Announcements

Looking for another way to stay informed, just click the little orange bell on the Announcements page on the D'Evelyn website to have the daily announcements sent to you automatically.



Map Testing

Students will complete MAP testing in subjects ELA and Math this coming week. This District assessment helps measure student growth in reading, writing and math for students in grades 6-10. We will be on a block schedule to ensure students complete the MAP assessments on both days: students will attend periods 1-3 on **Thursday, August 27th**; and 4-6 on **Friday, August 28th**. Contact Assistant Principal Amber Cannizzaro with questions, amber.cannizzaro@jeffco.k12.co.us.



Junior High BBQ



The Junior High Social Committee would like to invite all 6th, 7th, and 8th grade families to the annual Summer BBQ on **Friday, August 21st from 5-7pm** at Clement Park, 306 W. Bowles Avenue, Littleton, Pavilion O. There will be grilled items available and each family is asked to contribute a side and volunteer. This is a great chance to connect with other D'Evelyn families.

Outdoor Lab Parent Meeting

There is a mandatory meeting regarding Outdoor Lab for all 6th grade parents on **Monday August 24th at 6pm**. At this meeting, you will receive information regarding the program, the travel specifics, fees, required paperwork, etc. Due to limited space, we ask only parents attend.

Marching Band

The D'Evelyn Marching Band will have their first performance on **Tuesday, September 15th starting at 4:45pm** at the JeffCo Marching Festival. The festival is at Jeffco Stadium, at 6th and Kipling, and will contain performances from several Jeffco high schools. Come out and support the band as they go for their 13th State Championship.

To further support the Marching Band, come to the one-day Mattress Sale Fundraiser on **August 23rd from 10am-5pm**. There will be adjustable bases, mattresses, protectors, and pillows available. This is an opportunity to not only get an unbeatable deal, but support a great cause.

Back to School Night

We are excited to invite you to Back to School Night on Thursady, **August 27th**. This event provides parents the opportunity to meet teachers and administration, receive an overview of content and classroom expectations, and determine best methods for communicating directly with teachers. This year's Back to School Night will be held at D'Evelyn following the schedule below.

- 6:00 PM - All parent meeting - Main Gym
- 6:30 - 8:00 PM - Parents rotate to 6 classes following student schedules

Parents will have the chance to hear opening remarks from D'Evelyn's principal, Josh Shapiro, and follow their student's class schedule to meet their teachers. Class periods will be carried out in 10-minute increments with 5-minute passing periods.

Over the course of the evening, you are encouraged to visit each of your child's classes in accordance with the bell schedule.

Due to limited classroom spacing, this event is for parents only and we ask that students not attend. Additionally, please have access to your student's class schedule, which you can access through the Infinite Campus.

Back to School Night is an important opportunity to build strong relationships within our community. We look forward to seeing our families as we set out on the 2026 - 2027 school year.

Fall Sports

Be sure to support our student-athletes this fall!
Click the sport below for more information.



[Football](#), [Softball](#), [Boys Soccer](#), [Boys Tennis](#), [Boys Golf](#), [Cheer](#), [Cross Country \(XC\)](#), [Girls Volleyball](#)

Ways to Support D'Evelyn Athletics

If you are interested in attending any D'Evelyn sporting events, tickets can be purchased through [GoFan](#).

If you would like to stream events live, check out the [NFHS Network](#).

Looking for rankings and stats, click [HERE](#) for Max Preps.

Boys Golf

The D'Evelyn Boys golf team is off to an excellent start this season. Currently, they have five golfers in the top 87 to qualify for state. This week the team played tournaments at Bear Creek Country Club and Foothills Golf Course. The golfers in these tournaments represented D'Evelyn well and are working hard to qualifying as a team for state.



The picture is of our team before the Bear Creek tournament: from left to right: Cameron McLetchie, Chase Beardsley, Ben Goman, and Tyler Feighny

Softball

Great job to the D'Evelyn softball team for their dominating win against Ralston Valley on Wednesday. They ruled the mustangs 14-2 and had some awesome home runs by Aubrey Giddens and Myla Seda. Their next home game is this Saturday at 10am against the Classical Academy. Come support our lady jags! Good luck ladies.

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

Kelli Benninghoff, D'Evelyn's SEL, is excited to welcome everyone back to school next Tuesday. Click [HERE](#) to see some tips for returning to school after summer break.

Parent Mentoring

New Parents: Welcome to D'Evelyn! If you are interested in having a parent mentor help you throughout the school year, please sign up at this link.

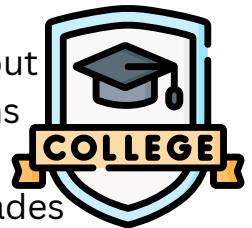
<https://forms.gle/s8SuwKP4r96EMEXN6>

Returning Parents: Welcome Back! If you are interested in becoming a mentor for a new family, please sign up at this link. <https://forms.gle/3h8pwTtCZbZNUXW16>

Mentoring might be grabbing a cup of coffee or just answering questions by email. It can be whatever you decide.

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.



College Night

Save the Date, College Night will be on **September 9th at 6pm**. This event is for any families interested in learning more about various aspects of what comes after high school.

D'Evelyn Accountability Committee

August 2026 Update



- First meeting: Tues, Sept 14 5:30-7pm @ Library
 - Meet the new D'Evelyn teachers
 - Learn more about AC –what it does and how you can help
 - Hear updates from Principal Shapiro, Steering Committee, and DEF
 - All parents, teachers, and admin are welcome!
- School Improvement Plan for 2026/2027
(developed by the Accountability Committee and adopted by the Steering Committee):
 1. **Promote Student Retention**
 2. **Continue focus on student well-being and family sense of belonging**
 3. **Create a vision for the future of the D'Evelyn Community**
- Officers for 2026/2027 are Case Collard, Seth LaLiberty, and Vilma Balnyte.
- Contact develynsac@gmail.com with questions

Steering Committee meetings are open to the public and take place twice monthly on Mondays. The next meeting is on: **Monday, August 24th from 4:30-6:30pm** in the library conference room. 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, want to see the agenda, or want to submit a public commentary, please visit our [website](#) to learn more about the unique role the Steering Committee plays at D'Evelyn Junior & Senior High School.

August 10th Meeting Highlights:

- Votes: Approve new DEF board member Prakriti Jha (Kirti
- Principal Report including hiring updates, 2 Campus Supervisors for this year, SRO to be shared with Deer Creek Middle, District guidance on lawsuit regarding the OCR Title IX issue involving Jeffco, 2026-2027 School Goals, Assistant Principal roles/responsibilities, Communication to community re: student Personal Electronic Devices and parking updates
- Planned Steering Committee Breakfast with school staff
- Finalized Curricular Reviews for 2026-2027
- Preliminary discussion of the Education Freedom Tax Credit (EFTC)
- Committee updates
- New & Upcoming business for future meetings

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