

West Jefferson Elementary School News

January 2018

Calendar of Events

Health & Wellness 4:00 PM

Movie Night

303.982.2975 Main Phone

303.982.2950 Attendance

December		4 5 6 7 8 9 18 11 12 13 14 15 16 12
20	Winter Parties 8:45-10:00 am	25 26 27 28 29 30 31
	Tree Sing – 10:00 am	
21 - Jan 5	Winter Break	
January		
8	Students Return to School	
10	BAM meeting 4:00	
11	PTA 6:00 PM @ 3 Margaritas (EVENING MEETING)	
12	Movie Night 6:30	
15	NO SCHOOL – MLK Day	

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to visit the West Jefferson Website

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West Jefferson Elementary School 26501 Barkley Rd. Conifer, CO 80433



From the Principal

Thank You Tiny Town Foundation

Thanks to the **Tiny Town Foundation** for giving us a \$3000 grant to begin providing at least one protein-based snack each week starting in January. Each Monday (or Tuesday if we don't have school on Monday) we will be offering two choices of protein snacks to all students. These snacks will be given between 10 and 11 am each morning. Each week students will get to choose between a cheese stick and one other protein based snack (hard boiled egg, almonds, seeds, beef jerky, or another snack). This will depend on price and availability. Your child does NOT have to participate, but it will be available to all. If you would like to permanently opt your child OUT of this program, please email Wendy Woodland at wendy.woodland@jeffco.k12.co.us or call and leave a voice mail at 303-982-0113. We will be contacting parents of students with health plans including food allergies before we pass out snacks.

Wendy

First Round Choice Enrollment

First Round Choice Enrollment is from January 8 - 31st

Here is the link:

http://www.jeffcopublicschools.org/cms/One.aspx?portalId=627965&pageId=927232

Also... Kindergarten Walk in registration will start on Tuesday January 23rd.

Parents need to complete/update <u>JeffCo Connect enrollment</u> prior to registration. We will need a copy of birth certificate, current immunizations and proof of residency to start enrollment process. We will have two options this year, half day (free) and full day (\$300/mo). Depending on our numbers, we may enforce the lottery process. Look for more information coming soon! Feel free to call the office at 303-982-2975.





Youth Mental Health First Aid Training

Dave Fennimore (West Jeff Middle School Social Emotional Learning Specialist) and Liz Wehr (Conifer Articulation Elementary Schools Social Emotional Learning Specialist) are co-facilitating a Youth Mental Health First Aid Training (YMHFA) on Saturday, January 27th. This



training will be held at West Jeff Elementary School from 8-4. This training addresses various areas of mental health in our youth. You will learn the difference between normal adolescent development and emerging mental illness, an action plan for how to help youth in non-crisis and crisis situations, and signs of suicide. This course is geared toward any adult who has contact with children and adolescents (parents, coaches, etc). While this course discusses adolescents (around 12-18) it is beneficial for parents with a child or children of any age.

Please RSVP to Liz Wehr at <u>elizabeth.wehr@jeffco.k12.co.us</u>. If you have further questions, don't hesitate to contact Liz Wehr at the email provided.





PTA

Science Fair





Don't forget to get your science fair packet entry form in and sign up to help with our science fair. This is a great event but needs a great deal of support. Please volunteer even for an hour!!!!!

Visit Our New Website

Visit our new website: https://sites.google.com/view/wjesbobcatspta/home

Or email us at: wjebobcats@gmail.com

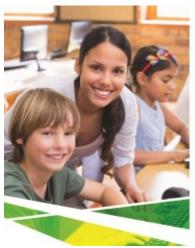
Instructional Coach

GT Center Placement and Advanced Learning Plan Applications Now Being Accepted for the 2018-2019 school year!

Twice a year, in the fall and in the winter/spring, Jeffco offers testing to ALL students as part of the application process for the Gifted and Talented Program. These tests identify General Intellectual Ability, or areas of strength for students. Once a student has been identified, an ALP is written. Some students apply for placement in a GT Center school, but many remain at their home school. If you have been considering this testing for your child, elementary or middle school GT Center School placement, or if you would like more information, please call me at school or go to the GT Website: http://www.jeffcopublicschools.org/programs/gifted_talented/

The window for the application process is currently open until January 16, 2018. If your child is a 5th grader who currently has an ALP and you would like to apply to the GT Center Program at the middle school (West Jeff or Evergreen), you will need to re-apply and register for testing. An ALP at the middle school level will ensure appropriate placement in academic classes.

For more information or answers to your questions, feel free to call or stop by-Justine Creel-303-982-2975.



Teachers and Technology Program

The CenturyLink Clarke M. Williams Foundation's Teachers and Technology grants are designed to help fund projects that advance student success through the innovative use of technology in the classroom.

Eligibility - Full-time classroom teachers in public or private PreK-12 schools located in CenturyLink's residential service areas may apply for a Teachers and Technology Grant for the 2017-18 school year. Applicants do not have to be CenturyLink customers in order to apply for these grants.

Key Dates - Applications will be accepted October 1, 2017 until January 12, 2018.
Grants will be announced and presented between April 1 and May 15, 2018.

Grants - CenturyLink will award approximately \$145,000 across Colorado.
Grants range from \$500 to \$5,000.

Apply here - www.centurylink.com/teachersandtechnology

For more information, contact: Brandon, Yergey@centurylink.com 02017 CenturyLink. All Rights Reserved.





Health and Wellness 100 Mile Club

100 mile club is started and going well. Many people showed up for the first run and there is a lot of enthusiasm for recess runs. It's not too late to sign up! You can either sign up



under the free program or pay a \$10 fee for the whole package which includes a t-shirt, bracelet, and gold medal for different achievements throughout the 100 miles. In order to run after school, a waiver must be signed. Please see our running schedule on the school website. Any questions, email Chris Olsen at colsen@jeffco.k12.co.us. Go Bobcats!!

We are hoping to start a student ambassador group to promote student health in our school. The input from this group will help us to move forward with more programs and incentives for kids to be healthy and stay healthy. If any child is interested, please talk to Mrs. Chris.



2018/19 Preschool Registration Begins!

January is registration month for the 2018/19 school year! It is completed on a FIRST COME/FIRST SERVE BASIS. We will be offering 3 hour AM & PM classes and a Modified Full Day Class. We will do our best to meet each family's needs/choices/teachers, but they cannot be guaranteed. New students must turn 3 years old on or before Oct. 1, 2018 to enroll for the preschool 2018/19 school year.

Early Registration for Returning West Jeff Preschool Students and Siblings

We will start our re-enrollment for our current preschool students and their siblings after Winter Break the entire week of Jan 8th – Jan 12th. We will have the paperwork available at school beginning January 8th. We will need a new packet for all children who wish to return to West Jeff in the fall. In order to move on to kindergarten, students must turn 5 on or before October 1, 2018. THE NEW PACKET MUST BE TURNED IN FOR ALL STUDENTS WHO WISH TO RETURN TO WEST JEFF NEXT YEAR. As usual, our spaces are filled on a FIRST COME/FIRST SERVED basis.

Early Registration for Siblings of West Jeff Elementary Students

We will have an early registration for the younger siblings of West Jeff Elementary Students (K-5th grade brothers & sisters) starting on January 8th. This gives a bit of a head start with registration for new preschoolers coming to West Jeff Preschool that have older siblings already in the school.

New Student Registration—West Jeff Preschool

We will be registering new families beginning the week of January 16th until full and we expect to fill up quickly. This registration is for new students to West Jeff Preschool who do not have siblings in preschool or West Jeff Elementary School.

Please feel free to call or e-mail Dede Armbruster, Preschool Director with any questions!

Dede Armbruster
Director - West Jeff Preschool

Sponsorship space in this newsletter is extremely affordable! Reach parents in your local community and a significant portion of your investment goes back to the school! Businesses that want to sponsor this school, please contact TSCA at info@tscaschools.com or 970-239-1641.





2017-18 Jeffco GT Parent Seminar

Parents of gifted children need access to a variety of resources, networking and support to help guide them through their child's academic journey.

The Gifted and Talented Department will be offering Parent Seminars in conjunction with JACG (Jefferson County Association for Gifted Children). The presentations are prepared by various professionals on issues related to gifted children.

The Parent Seminars focus on supporting the children, parents and educators while offering the resources and networking that are needed.

Tuesday, January 9, 2018 6:30 – 8:00 pm

Topic: Understanding Your Student's CogAT Data

Time: 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Location:

*Jeffco Education Center 5th Floor Board Room

1829 Denver West Dr. Golden, CO 80401

Make-Up date in case of inclement weather is January 10, 2018

Important Information

Parents and staff do not need to RSVP Babysitting is NOT provided Age appropriate attendance is encouraged Cancellations will be posted on our website www.jeffcopublicschools.org/gt





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Monday, January 29, 2018 6:30 – 8:00 pm

Topic: Various GT Topics based on parent feedback

Time: 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Speaker: Jeffco GT Department

Location:

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Monday, February 26, 2018 6:30 – 8:00 pm

Topic: Creating 21st Century Innovators

Time: 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Speaker: Ian Byrd

Location:

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