Hello Conifer Family and Friends, this is Principal Paxton with your weekly update on news and information for the week of Monday, August 26th through Saturday, August 31st.

Here are some announcements for this week ...

- Parents and students, consider joining Conifer’s PTSA. The PTSA contributes to After Prom (a safe alternative event following prom), provides staff appreciation efforts throughout the school year, organizes a fundraiser to fund Lobo Innovative Educator Grants, gives volunteer support, and more! Your membership is an investment in our school community. We’d love to have you involved! Meetings are the third Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at Snowpack Grill. All are welcome! To sign up for membership, please see our website or use this link: https://conifer-high-school-ptsacheddarup.com

- Good luck to our girls and boys mountain bike team as they head to their first race August 25th in Nathrop. Do you enjoy mountain biking? It is not too late to join the team! Practices are held each Tuesday and Thursday with 4 season races and a state championship held on Saturdays or Sundays through the end of October. To join, contact coach Bill Turner at bturner@Path21arch.com

- On Tuesday, August 27th, Conifer will host the ASA BMX team to provide our students with anti-bullying messaging, as well as an awesome BMX performance. This assembly will be from 10:30 until 11:15 a.m. with a modified Silver day bell schedule and one lunch beginning at 12:40 p.m.
  - Period 2: 7:25 - 8:50
Period 4: 8:55 - 10:20
BMX Assembly: 10:30 - 11:15
Period 6: 11:20 - 12:35
Lunch: 12:40 - 1:15
Period 8: 1:20 - 2:35

- On Wednesday, August 28th, we will host this year’s Back to School night starting at 5:00 p.m. with a little different format. Clubs, activities and sports will be giving out information in the lobby and gym from 5:00 until 5:30 p.m. From 5:30 until 6:00 p.m., Mr. Paxton will give his welcome speech and provide parents with valuable information about our school. From 6:00 until 7:15 p.m., parents will be able to engage in parent learning sessions, regarding school safety, AP/honors classes, CHS operations, college planning, graduation requirements, and student learning experience at Conifer. From 7:15 until 8:15 p.m., parents will be provided an opportunity to visit teachers’ classrooms and meet their child’s teacher.

- The Snack Shack/Conifer School Store is now open for the fall semester. We have snacks, drinks, apparel and accessories for sale from 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. during 7th and 8th period (and occasionally after school). We accept cash, credit, checks and digital payments. We will also be open during Back to School Night. All proceeds from the store directly benefit our DECA program and students. Games and contests are starting, so, so it is time to gear up! - Wednesday, August 28th at 8:15 a.m. is DECA doughnut day in the cafetorium for all 9th and 10th graders! Come by, get a free doughnut, and learn about what our DECA program has to offer you.

- Are you interested in joining our DECA program at Conifer? DECA is a leadership association of Marketing students who have the opportunity to travel and compete in real-world case studies and business applications. We
have a lot of fun! Since DECA is a co-curricular club (tied to Marketing classes), in order to join DECA this year you must be in one of the following classes during 1st semester:
  - Sports & Entertainment Marketing
  - School-Based Enterprise
  - Personal Finance
  - Business Leadership

- If you are a 9th or 10th grader AND this is your first year ever in DECA, you may participate in our JV DECA program which will hold meetings and training during seminar (1 every 2 weeks) and will not require you to be in a Marketing class. This option is only available to 1st year DECA members who are 9th or 10th graders. Please sign-up here to be added to our DECA communications list for meeting dates and competition & travel opportunities - https://goo.gl/forms/NYdEdChyRVu3kr8k1. Contact Amber Hall at abhall@jeffco.k12.co.us if you have any questions about the program or about becoming a School Store Manager. We are also looking for School Store Managers during 7th and 8th period. Managers will run the cash register, help make inventory and pricing decisions, promote merchandise and food, and be in charge of the store during their class period while earning full elective class credit in the School-Based Enterprise class. Store managers may participate in DECA, but DECA is not required. Interested students should contact Mrs. Hall or their counselor to add this class.

- Wanted! Conifer has a job opening for a paraprofessional who will work with students, helping them in classrooms. If interested, please click on this link to apply. Work at Conifer!

- Attention Senior and Junior Boys, Outdoor Lab is still looking for Leaders for West Jeff Middle School’s Outdoor lab week, scheduled for November 4th – 8th. If you are interested in this wonderful leadership opportunity please pick
up an application from Ms. Spease in the Counseling Center. Interviews are scheduled for September 9th and 10th!

In Sports...

**Monday, August 26th**

**Boys Golf** will travel to Bear Creek Golf Club for a League Match at 9:00 a.m.

**Tuesday, August 27th**

**Boys Tennis** will host Bear Creek High School at 4:00 p.m. on our brand new Lobo courts for the **Game of the Week!**

**Thursday, August 29th**

**Boys Soccer** will host Berthoud High School at the NAAC at 7:00 p.m.

**Friday, August 30th**

**Boys Golf** will travel to Indian Tree Golf Course with the first tee at 8:00 a.m.

**Cross Country** will travel to the Denver South Invitational at Wash Park starting at 3:00 p.m.