

## **Conifer Weekly Announcements**

Hello Conifer Family and Friends, this is Principal Paxton with your weekly update on news and information for the week of Monday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> through Saturday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

### Here are some important announcements...

Morning and Afternoon Traffic Congestion	As our students and staff return to school, we are noticing a significant increase in our morning and afternoon traffic flow. To help keep traffic moving through the front circle and bus circle, please pull forward so that ALL parents can drop-off and pick-up their child. If your child is logging their driving hours by driving to school in the morning, please pull all the way to the end of the circle to exchange drivers or consider exchanging drivers in another location. These steps will greatly improve our traffic flow in the morning and afternoon.  Thank you for your cooperation!!
Late Start Guidelines	On Wednesday, August 25 <sup>th</sup> , we will have our <b>First <u>Late Start Green Day</u></b> with Seminar starting at 8:20 a.m.
	On Green Days, which fall on a Wednesday or Thursday, Conifer will have a 'Late Start' for students. This allows teachers to meet with their Professional Learning Communities (PLC's) to work collaboratively — co-planning, analyzing assessment data, and engaging in collegial conversations to achieve better results for the students. On late start days, Seminar begins at 8:20 a.m. and Block 3 starts at 9:11 a.m.
	Buses will run at their regularly scheduled time. Students riding the bus or being dropped off by a parent, can go to the library, gym, or cafeteria during this time before Seminar begins.
	Please refer to the Conifer Fall 2021 Green/Silver Day Calendar for specific days (this is posted on the Conifer website).
School Accountability Committee Meeting	The Conifer School Accountability Committee is tasked with the responsibility of reviewing the school improvement plan, providing guidance with the overall school budget and sharing information with the school principal on the needs of students. The first meeting of the School Accountability Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, August 25 <sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. in the Conifer High School Main Office Conference Room. Meetings are open for all staff, students and parents.
Student Fees	Academic and athletic fees have been loaded onto JeffcoConnect for parents to review and pay. Please access student's fees at <a href="https://jeffcoconnect.jeffco.k12.co.us/">https://jeffcoconnect.jeffco.k12.co.us/</a> .
One Lunch Silver Fridays	If a Silver Day falls on a Friday, all students will have 'A' Lunch from 10:50 – 11:22 a.m. This allows our academic departments time to meet as a group. Block 6 will meet from 11:27 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Student Picture Ordering	To order school pictures that were taken this week, please click on the link below. <a href="https://www.prepaysystems.com/view/9KLs2dbY/conifer-high-school-fall-undergrad-21-22">https://www.prepaysystems.com/view/9KLs2dbY/conifer-high-school-fall-undergrad-21-22</a>
Employment Opportunity for Students	Jeffco Public Schools Food and Nutrition Services wants to hire student workers for the Conifer High School Kitchen. Students can earn \$15.00 per hour while attending school. For detailed information, please contact Lori Farley at <a href="mailto:lori.farley@jeffco.k12.co.us">lori.farley@jeffco.k12.co.us</a>
Rotary Club of Conifer Backpack Program	The Rotary Club of Conifer sponsors the Backpack Program for students needing supplemental food during the weekend. This voluntary and anonymous program is a partnership between the Rotary Club of Conifer and Conifer High School. Please see the attached flyer for more information and to enroll in the program.
HOSA	Health Occupation Students of America (HOSA) is a global student-led organization empowering Future Health Professionals to become leaders in the global health community. Members of HOSA may also develop very specific health profession skills such as learning how to assess range of motion of the shoulder in sports medicine or develop more general professional skills such as time management. Members of HOSA primarily gain these experiences through chapter activities and the HOSA Competitive Events Program. These events are held at regional, state, and national levels. HOSA also operates internationally. If you are interested in becoming a member of HOSA come to our first meeting on Wednesday, August 25 <sup>th</sup> at 8:20 a.m. in room A106. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Stricker or Mrs. McFadden-Barr. Hope to see you there!
DECA	<b>DECA</b> is gearing up for the new school year - are you thinking about joining us? Check us out on <b>Instagram: @conifer.deca or DECA.org</b>
	We already have several exciting DECA events and trips on the calendar - a fall social; live, in-person mock role-plays; the Beaver Creek trip at the end of October; District competition in person in December; Sports Marketing Conference in Orlando, Florida in January, State at the Broadmoor end of February; Internationals in Atlanta end of April; and any other fun activities we can fit in and get clearance to embark on.
	For anyone <b>interested in joining DECA for 2021-2022</b> , information is available in this link - <a href="https://tinyurl.com/ecph6abk">https://tinyurl.com/ecph6abk</a> . All Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors must be enrolled in a 1st Semester Marketing or Business class in order to participate in DECA, but 9 <sup>th</sup> graders can participate in our JV DECA program, so check your schedules! Contact Amber Hall at <a href="mailto:abhall@jeffco.k12.co.us">abhall@jeffco.k12.co.us</a> with any questions about DECA.
Celebrating Conifer's Students and Staff on Facebook and Instagram	In a concerted effort to recognize our students' accomplishments, we recommend you visit our Conifer High School Facebook ( <a href="http://www.facebook.com/coniferhighschool">http://www.facebook.com/coniferhighschool</a> ) and Instagram (@Coniferhs)

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	pages. You will find a plethora of candid photos of student/staff involvement and student/staff celebrations.
Jeffco Code of Conduct	If high expectations are to be held for academic achievement, it is clear that behavior expectations be adopted as well. Our goal is to create a culture of honor and respect that is consistent from classroom to classroom and can be carried over into the community. It is the goal of our school for behavior expectations to stand with academic standards to create a total learning environment for all students. Please visit the Jefferson County Public Schools Code of Conduct website ( <a href="http://www.jeffcopublicschools.org/schools/code">http://www.jeffcopublicschools.org/schools/code</a> of conduct) to review and better understand the policies regarding student conduct.
Parents Schedule an Appointment	As a result of COVID Guidelines, parents need to schedule an appointment with office staff, counselors, or teachers in advance. We are not allowing walk-in appointments or meetings.
	The Jeffco COVID Guidelines for Visitors Starts on Tuesday, August 17 <sup>th</sup> :
	<ul> <li>Visitors should engage in <u>self-screening</u> at home before entering a Jeffco Public Schools building, and follow any health protocols that may be in place.</li> </ul>
	All visitors are required to wear a mask while indoors. Visitors are not required to wear masks outdoors.
Parking Passes for Juniors and Seniors	Student driver parking passes will be issued beginning on Monday, August 30 <sup>th</sup> . Juniors and Seniors should complete the online parking pass document: <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScnW4efPZZ2DCvJ">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScnW4efPZZ2DCvJ</a> EY1VZEmmiOKY-EbBF2oUhLSffl bZbyLQ/viewform
Parking Pass Fee is \$125.00	The parking pass fee will be \$125.00 for the school year and prorated based on when the parking pass is purchased.
Parking Passes for Sophomores	Sophomores need to meet with Athletic Director Eric Kragel to complete their parking pass documentation.
Bleacher Progress	CLUB needs assistances with completing the bleacher project (even 3 to 4-hour shifts are welcome). We're still working Thursdays-Sundays from 8:45 am to 3:00 pm and you can sign up here to help:
	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084AABAE23A20-volunteers
	We are now assembling the bleacher frames, risers, seats, and back rests and, have two small block wing walls left to erect. This is pretty easy work just time consuming.
	Like before, we suggest:
	wear jeans, work boots, and bring work gloves
	bring a water bottle and a sack lunch
	bring sunscreen and a hat

Also, if you have any of the following items, please bring what you can:

- a pre-charged cordless drill, an extra drill battery, and your battery charger
- 1/2" & 9/16" sockets (for driving the nuts and bolts together)
- 3/16", 7/16", & 1/2" drill bits (for drilling through aluminum)

Thanks in advance for your potential assistance with this project!! When completed, this will be one of the finest stadiums in Jeffco and you'll be able to proudly say that you contributed to the improvement of your community, Conifer High School athletic facilities, and all of the spectator's comfort! Thanks for your consideration.

Back-to-School Night Wednesday, September 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 p.m. Back-To-School Night is scheduled for Wednesday, September 1, 2021, from 5:30 until 7:15 p.m. Parents will be provided the chance to ask questions and learn about the opportunities we provide students. In addition, many of the extracurricular clubs and activities are represented during the evening to demonstrate their contributions to our great school.

#### Agenda

5:30 – 6:00 p.m. Athletics and Activities Fair in Commons and Gym

6:00 – 6:30 p.m. Mr. Paxton's Presentation in the Cafeteria

6:30 – 7:15 p.m. Teacher Meet & Greet in classrooms

# **Evergreen Fine Arts Festival**

Here's a great way to earn community service hours for clubs or graduation requirements. There are many options but the festival is most in need of booth sitters on both Saturday and Sunday.



https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040e4fa4a92ca0f85-2021

### 2021 Festival Volunteer

The Evergreen Fine Arts Festival, circa 1966, is coming into its 55th year. Held in beautiful Evergreen, CO, the show provides a welcome respite for art lovers from the heat of Denver with over 100 juried national artists displaying their fine art in the cool mountain air. Every year, the EFAF depends on its amazing volunteers to keep things moving forward throughout the event. In exchange for just 3 hours, all volunteers will receive a free festival t-shirt at check-in, a drink ticket, and an invitation to the artist's dinner on Saturday night (volunteer only). Artist Dinner RSVP Make it even more fun! Invite a friend to join you in volunteering. If you would like to be a part of this fantastic festival, please look through the opportunities listed here and volunteer today! Thank you! We couldn't do it without you!

## In Sports ...

Boys Golf Tuesday, August 24th	On Tuesday, August 24 <sup>th</sup> , our Boys Golf Team will travel to Broken Tee Golf Course for a tee-off at 11:00 a.m.
Boys Tennis Thursday, August 26 <sup>th</sup>	On Thursday, August 26 <sup>th</sup> , our Conifer Boys Tennis team will host Golden High School on Sanders Courts at 3:30 p.m. for the <b>Game of the Week!</b>
Volleyball Thursday, August 26 <sup>th</sup>	And on Thursday, August 26 <sup>th</sup> , our Conifer Volleyball team will take on Pomona High School in the Competition Gym at 6:30 p.m.
Cross Country Saturday, August 28 <sup>th</sup>	On Saturday, August 28 <sup>th</sup> , our Cross-Country Team will travel to Fehringer Ranch in Morrison for an Invitational starting at 7:45 a.m.
Sports Registration	Registration for Fall Sports is almost closed for the season. REGISTER HERE  All athletic fees are now posted in Jeffco Connect. If your athlete is on a Fall sports team, please pay for the athletic fee as soon as possible.  Fall Coaches contact information