

Conifer Weekly Announcements

Hello Conifer Family and Friends, this is Principal Paxton with your weekly announcements for the week of Monday, August 3rd through Saturday, August 8th, 2020.

Prom 2020 – Sunday, August 2nd from 7:00 until 10:00 p.m.

On Sunday, August 2nd, Conifer's Student Government will host this year's virtual Prom from 7:00 until 10:00 p.m. This year's Prom will be free and hosted by [A Music Plus](#). Enjoy some great tunes while practicing social distance in your backyard, the forest, or on a boat! You can access the streaming link at <https://stream.meet.google.com/stream/d9851e8b-e010-4849-a88f-6c15b4719fde>

Senior Awards – Wednesday, August 5th at 6:30 p.m.

On Thursday, August 5th, at 6:30 p.m., we live stream this year's Senior Awards Ceremony. Join us online as we celebrate the achievements of the Class of 2020! You can access the streaming link at

<https://stream.meet.google.com/stream/b803db99-8d7d-46ac-8d9b-2dd800610e88>

Commencement Ceremony for the Class of 2020 – Friday, August 7th at 5:00 p.m.

On Friday, August 7th, from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., we will host the Commencement Ceremony for the Class of 2020 on Fitzmaurice Field.

Instructions for Graduates and Families

- Each graduate and 4 family members need to print the completed online risk form, which will serve as the event entry ticket:
[Graduate Risk Form](#)
[Attendee Risk Form](#)
- Please arrange for family carpooling, where the graduate and four family members should arrive together in the same vehicle to reduce parking issues (no shuttle buses).
- Handicap parking will be available please e-mail Cassie Alley (calley@jeffcoschools.us) for a handicap parking pass. There will be golf carts available to transport handicap, injured, or elderly guests as well.

Entry to Graduation Ceremony

- Graduates and their family need to arrive during the scheduled arrival time (by alpha) and park in the junior lot, senior lot, library lot, or along the bus lane.

Graduate Last Names **N - Z** arrive **3:30 – 4:00 p.m.**

Graduate Last Names **G – M** arrive **4:00 – 4:30 p.m.**

Graduate Last Names **A – F** arrive **4:30 – 4:50 p.m.**

- Graduates and their family need to proceed to the soccer field and get into line at one of the eight health screening stations (**designated by Alpha**) available for check-in.

Please stay on markers to socially distance from other families while waiting and **wear masks during the entire process and ceremony.**

- After completing the health screening process, please follow signs and proceed to your designated seats on the football field. Graduates and families will sit together (see map below).
- **Gathering among different families will NOT be allowed.** Please remain in your seats.
- Restrooms are available to the south of the football field. Please socially distance while waiting for the restroom.

During the Ceremony

- Graduates will remain seated until their row is directed to move to the waiting area.
- Graduates will wait at the end of the ramp to the stage until their name is called. Please be aware that we will be calling names of those graduates that are not attending too.
- When the graduate's name is called, they will proceed to the stage and take a photo with Principal Paxton by standing on the 'X'. **The graduate may remove their mask for the photo.** Graduates may bring their diploma covers to the ceremony for the photo.
- Please proceed down the opposite ramp and back to your seat.

After the Ceremony

- Please remain in your seat until each row is released for dismissal. Faculty and staff will be released first then graduates and families.
- Congregating after the ceremony will not be allowed, please proceed to your vehicle.

Graduate Photos

Lifetouch is looking forward to capturing the Graduate's image during Friday's Commencement Ceremony. Photographs from the event will be available about 3-5 days after graduation. A copy of the photos and ordering information can be found at: <https://link.shutterfly.com/tx6ETzdlm8>

Arrival by Alpha

Graduate Last Names N - Z arrive 3:30 – 4:00 pm

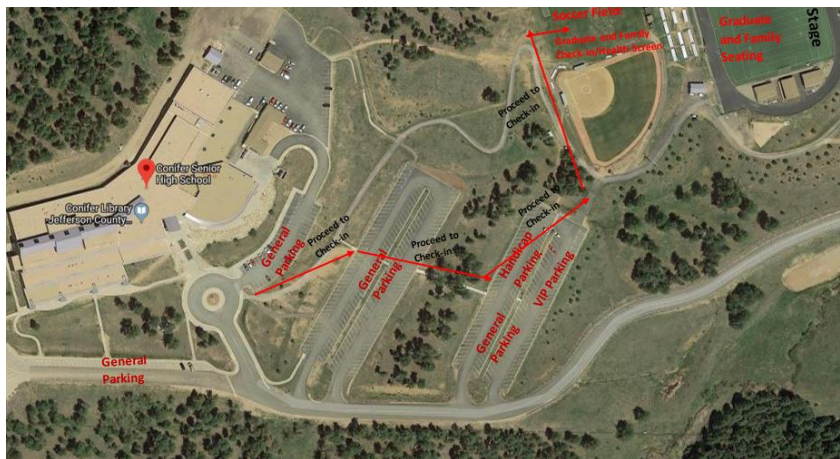
Graduate Last Names G – M arrive 4:00 – 4:30 pm

Graduate Last Names A – F arrive 4:30 – 4:50 pm

Seating Map

Row 15	Extra Row
Row 14	Ben - Al
Row 13	Br - Ber
Row 12	De - Bu
Row 11	F - Di

Row 10	Gr -Ga
Row 9	Hoa - Ha
Row 8	C. Jones - Hor
Row 7	L – T. Jones
Row 6	Mih - Ma
Row 5	Op - Mil
Row 4	Re - Os
Row 3	Si - Ro
Row 2	U - Sp
Row 1	Z - V
Stage	Stage



A live stream of this year’s graduation ceremony will be available for guests to watch at:
<https://livestream.com/loclyzmedia/conifergraduation2020>

Fall Semester Instructional Schedule

In preparation for the restart of school at Conifer High School, I am excited to share our hybrid schedule with our parents and students. Hopefully the following information will answer many of your questions and help with our students’ transition back to school.

Unlike the spring semester, student and teacher engagement will follow a synchronous learning model where students and teachers will interact either online or in-person at the same time (i.e. Biology class at 9:00 a.m.). Students will be required to use their Chromebook or personal device to complete assigned tasks and assessments provided by the teacher.

Restart of School Dates

Friday, August 21st – **Virtual Freshmen Orientation**

Monday, August 24th – **Remote Learning Model Starts**

Tuesday, September 8th – **Hybrid Learning Model Starts**

Tuesday, September 8th

- **Green A Cohort In-Person Freshmen Orientation from 7:00 to 9:10 a.m.**
- **All Green A Cohort Students (Freshmen through Seniors) Attend School**

Tuesday, September 9th

- **Silver A Cohort In-Person Freshmen Orientation from 7:00 to 9:10 a.m.**
- **All Silver A Cohort Students (Freshmen through Seniors) Attend School**

Wednesday, September 16th – 6:30 p.m. – **Virtual Back to School Night**

Friday, October 2nd – 8:00 a.m. – **Virtual Fall Awards Ceremony**

Wednesday, October 14th – 12:30 to 6:30 p.m. – **Virtual Fall Parent-Teacher Conferences**

2020 Fall Bell Schedule

Health Screening Time Arrivals:

Conifer Area Buses Arrive Between 7:00 and 7:20 a.m.

Parent Drop-Off Arrive Between 7:20 and 7:30 a.m.

Student Drivers Arrive Between 7:30 and 7:40 a.m.

Alpha Split for Hybrid Days (More information about specific attendance days will be provided in the coming weeks):

Green A/Silver A – Student Attendance Cohort A – Typically Mondays and Wednesdays

Green B/Silver B – Student Attendance Cohort B – Typically Tuesdays and Thursdays

Conifer Virtual Learning Support Day – Typically Fridays

Virtual and In-Person Seminar

Students arriving on a Conifer area school bus will be provided in-person seminar starting at 7:45 a.m. in conjunction with the Bus Buffer time starting when the student's bus arrives.

Students not riding a Conifer area school bus will be provided an option of in-person seminar or virtual seminar starting at 7:45 a.m.

All students will need to log into their virtual Seminar class for attendance taking and grade calculation (see Student Handbook for Seminar grade calculation requirements).

In-Person Lunch and School Dismissal

All students will be provided time for in-person lunch starting at 1:40 p.m. Students riding a Conifer area school bus will have assigned seats in accordance with their bus grouping that follows social distancing. Buses will leave the Conifer campus at 2:00 p.m.

Student wishing to leave school (parent pick up and student drivers) are dismissed at 1:40 p.m.

The Conifer school building will be closed to students at 2:00 p.m. for cleaning and sanitization.

Virtual Learning Support

Friday's Virtual Learning Support days will serve our diverse learners with the opportunity to connect with their teachers when necessary. Conifer's intervention model will also utilize Fridays to support struggling students with individualized support. Teachers will post an asynchronous attendance task that all students must complete in order to be marked present for the day. From time to time, individual or student groups will be required to engage in synchronous learning to support the student(s) learning needs.

2020 Fall Schedule

TIME	MINUTES	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	VIRTUAL LEARNING SUPPORT
		GREEN A	GREEN B	SILVER A	SILVER B	CONIFER
7:00 – 7:45	45	BUS BUFFER	BUS BUFFER	BUS BUFFER	BUS BUFFER	BUS BUFFER
7:45 – 9:10	85	ASSIGNED SEMINAR/LATE START	ASSIGNED SEMINAR/LATE START	BLOCK 2	BLOCK 2	SEMINAR/2
9:15 – 10:40	85	BLOCK 3	BLOCK 3	BLOCK 4	BLOCK 4	BLOCK 3/4
10:45 – 12:10	85	BLOCK 5	BLOCK 5	BLOCK 6	BLOCK 6	BLOCK 5/6
12:15 – 1:40	85	BLOCK 7	BLOCK 7	BLOCK 8	BLOCK 8	BLOCK 7/8
1:40 – 2:00		LUNCH WITH BUS GROUP/STUDENT DISMISSAL	LUNCH WITH BUS GROUP/STUDENT DISMISSAL	LUNCH WITH BUS GROUP/STUDENT DISMISSAL	LUNCH WITH BUS GROUP/STUDENT DISMISSAL	LUNCH WITH BUS GROUP/STUDENT DISMISSAL
2:00		BUSES LEAVE	BUSES LEAVE	BUSES LEAVE	BUSES LEAVE	BUSES LEAVE

Conifer Chamber of Commerce Community Needs Assessment

The Conifer Chamber of Commerce is teaming up with our community educators to create solutions for families as we walk through the fall school schedule. Together we are looking to provide support for families and we need your help to find out how to maximize our efforts. Please take 5 minutes to answer the following survey. This information will be passed on to all area schools as we collect the data and analyze the results. There will be an online Town Hall meeting on Tuesday, August 11th at 7:00pm. At this meeting our local schools and day care facilities inform the community of services available.

Survey Link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd2G11OuMhf_OqVlazz3XnaPAv-kbPB_GwDL9nxtkrnim-BQ/viewform

SNAP Benefits with Additional Dollars

Families will be receiving additional dollars on their SNAP benefits but may not be aware of this and the reason why. Below is the link with the explanation and how families can apply for the money, if there EBT card isn't automatically loaded. I would encourage all principals to send this info out to your families so they are aware of this benefit. Each qualifying

family will receive an additional \$279, per eligible PK-12 child that was enrolled in school and qualified for FRL during last school year.

<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdhs/news/colorado-families-school-aged-students-begin-receiving-p-ebt-food-benefits>

Update Parent and Student Contact Information

To help parents and students navigate the start of school, please verify and update the home address and phone number(s) listed in JeffcoConnect. If you need assistance, please contact Registration Secretary Jolene Sadowski at Jolene.Sadowski@jeffco.k12.co.us

In Sports...

[Athletic registration](#) is OPEN! All athletes must complete registration and have an in-person [physical](#) before they can participate in their sport. The Colorado High School Activities Association (CHSAA) will NOT accept telemedicine, over-the-phone, or online physicals.

Conifer High School is offering physicals at the high school on **August 6th, 2020**. To minimize numbers and to ensure social distancing, teams will report at the following times:

- 4:00-4:30 Football
- 4:30-5:00 Volleyball
- 5:00-5:30 Cross Country
- 5:30-6:00 Tennis/Golf/Soccer
- 6:00-6:30 Softball
- 6:30-7:00 Winter or Spring sports

Per doctor's request; please have your athlete wear a *T-shirt, athletic shorts, undergarments and slip-on shoes/sandals/flip-flops* to cut down on time. For safety purposes, volunteers will sanitize stations and exam rooms.

Physical Examination Forms will NOT be available! Please print and fill out the following forms **BEFORE** you come on August 6th, 2020.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ekI9Cqn79Fc93ZqK7IZYG6feAK-FzYRN/view?usp=sharing>

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ZcY9tjkVoIZUrsUddwIzrdLddeHuxWAC/view?usp=sharing>

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1PAZdRDOWIfVJK251S48kGFE2SLgHCbDS/view?usp=sharing>

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1w5u5_W9Sii8QQctTPjkj2ltxEH5P2SEA/view?usp=sharing

The fee is \$20 per athlete and will be added to your student's Jeffco Connect account. We apologize, we cannot accept any form of payment at this time.

Athletes will be responsible for retaining and uploading their forms to the athletic registration page. We can no longer keep paper forms on hand.

CHSAA has announced that Boy's Golf, Boy's Tennis, and Softball may start practice on August 3rd (Golf) and August 10th (Tennis and Softball). Please contact one of these coaches for practice schedules and information.

- Jeremy Barnett - Boys Golf - jeremy.barnett@jeffco.k12.co.us
- Carrie Olestski – Girls Softball - csoletski64@msn.com
- Tennis Coach – WILL BE ANNOUNCED SOON!!

We are still waiting on CHSAA to announce season and start dates for all the other sports. Coaches may still schedule pre-season workouts/practices until the season officially begins. Your coaches will be in contact with you or you may contact them about workouts.

- Larry Fitzmaurice – Football - lfitzmau@jeffco.k12.co.us
- Brian Stotts - Boys Cross Country - bstotts@jeffco.k12.co.us
- Blake Wageman – Girls Cross Country - blake_lamar@hotmail.com
- Jason Woolridge – Boys Soccer – jwooldri@jeffco.k12.co.us
- Laurie Eddy - Girls Volleyball - conifervolleyball2@gmail.com

As I have said before, the season will be very different. CHSAA has released sport-specific COVID guidelines that we are working through to make games safe and follow state guidelines. Coaches will follow these COVID guidelines during practice and games. We have started discussions on the local level with Jeffco schools and Jeffco Public Health as to what the fan experience will be in the COVID world. Once I get more information, I will pass these along to the Conifer Community.

Right now, I am just thrilled that some of our athletes will be able to participate in High School Athletics, which gives me hope for all of our athletes.

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Boy's golf starts on August 3rd. If you are interested in playing, contact Coach Jeremy Barnett jibarnet@jeffcoschools.us. First practice is at 7:00 a.m. at [Meadows Golf Club](#).