Hello Conifer Family and Friends, this is Principal Paxton with your weekly update on news and information for the week of Monday, December 7th through Saturday, December 12th.

Here are some announcements for this week …

**SUPPORT OUR LOCAL SMALL BUSINESSES**

Our local small business owners have been hit especially hard by the State and County Health Guidelines. These businesses provide the heartbeat of our mountain communities with a positive and sustainable option to online shopping or driving down the hill to the big box stores. Their impact on our community includes employing many of our neighbors or their teenagers.

Before you push the purchase button or drive down the hill, consider our local small businesses. You’re bound to find a familiar friendly person ready to help!

**FALL 2020 FINALS SCHEDULE**

**Remember:** As a reminder, students cannot take early Finals. If they are unable to take Finals according to the following schedule, they can make arrangements to make them up in January.

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CONIFER HIGH SCHOOL DECA

53 students joined the DECA District competition virtually from November 6th - 20th.

“Thank you” to all our students’ parents for your encouragement; our wonderful judges who invested a good part of their weekend to judge the District Role Plays; Conifer High School’s staff for their support of our program and excellent academic preparation of our students; and to our community for the backing. 21 of our students qualified to compete at State, and an additional 4 students were the 1st Runner-Ups. Statewide, only the top 20% of competitors qualify to compete at the State Competition.

As always, our students represented our community with outstanding professionalism, sportsmanship, courtesy and maturity. I continue to be impressed and feel so lucky to work with such an amazing group of young people. Big congratulations to all of our students, and recognition to our:

STATE QUALIFIERS

Karsten Skildheim - Financial Consulting Professional Selling
Zoe Mandl - Human Resource Management
Sydney Ransel - Marketing Communications
Dion Miguel - Personal Financial Literacy
McKenzie Dolph - Principles of Hospitality & Tourism
Logan Meyer – Entrepreneurship Team
Laurel Schneider – Entrepreneurship Team
Casey Sadowski - Financial Services Team
Brian Sherry - Financial Services Team
Elena Eddy - Hospitality Services Team
Abigail Freza - Hospitality Services Team
Isabel Cloutier - Marketing Management Team
Amelia Tatro - Marketing Management Team
Adde Hollander - Marketing Management Team
Lily Hughes - Marketing Management Team
Alyssa Bollwark – Sports & Entertainment Marketing Team
Kelly Dougherty – Sports & Entertainment Marketing Team
Dakota Dolph - Travel & Tourism Team
Evan Legnard - Travel & Tourism Team
Keagan Lafferty - Travel & Tourism Team
David Bogdanoff - Travel & Tourism Team

TOP TEST SCORE

Dion Miguel
Brian Sherry
Karsten Skildheim

1st RUNNERS-UP/ STATE ALTERNATES

- Maddie Potter - Marketing Communications
- Alexis Hall - Sports & Entertainment
- Owen Rosser - Principles of Marketing

ADDITIONAL STATE ALTERNATES

3rd – Hannah Coleman & Andrew Flanagan – Buying & Merchandising Team
4th – Kate Thurman & Faith Zabka – Business Law & Ethics Team

DECEMBER 11TH - DONATION DAY AT CHS! HTTPS://CREATE.PIKTOCHART.COM/OUTPUT/51180545-DROP-OFF-FLYER

On Friday, December 11th, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., DECA is hosting a drop off event collecting for the following causes using contactless window drop-off from all Conifer club members. Details are in the links.

- toy donations for the Boys & Girls Club - new, unwrapped toys
  - https://drive.google.com/file/d/1f2_EdWgJHf4AUyBHHtJhf_Q6y6lqWQn3/view?usp=sharing
- letter and card drop-offs for first responders
  - https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ce1lq4rZSpt_OC_8_Hkrr0ZlwWfXnlUP/view?usp=sharing
- snack donations for the Conifer Rotary 285 Backpack Program
  - https://drive.google.com/file/d/1f2_EdWgJHf4AUyBHHtJhf_Q6y6lqWQn3/view?usp=sharing

Everyone in our community is encouraged to donate. We will track contributions from all students who wish to receive credit hours in their respective participating clubs.

DECA MEMBERS - WE ARE AWARDING CIVIC POINTS/ HOURS FOR SHOPPING LOCAL! See the details here
- https://docs.google.com/drawings/d/1hkQgAbobyNm1EeNTILd9W7j0hMk8hkYfkKj0Cy0zCO/edit?usp=sharing

BEWARE OF CALLER ID SPOOFING

Caller ID Spoofing occurs when someone falsifies the information sent to your caller ID display to disguise their identity. That false information might look like a Jeffco phone number (e.g. 303-982-XXXX) on your caller ID. The ultimate goal of these spoofer's is to steal money or personal information to use in fraudulent activity. What should you do? If you answer a call thinking it is a Jeffco number and realize it is a spoofer, don’t engage. Hang up immediately! The more we hang up, the less likely the calls are to continue. Want more information? Be sure to watch this video from the FCC.

PTSA WELLNESS/TREAT BAGS

The Conifer PTSA is making wellness/treat bags for our amazing Conifer staff this month. If you would like to donate items for the individual goodie bags, we would love the support! Please use the link below to sign-up. https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0d48a8a72faaf94-staff
**Remote Learning**

If you have any questions about the current remote learning plan, click [HERE](#).

**Google Calendar appointments**

Students and teachers have requested a better format for students to access help from teachers. We understand that emails don’t provide the quick response students need and teachers have become overwhelmed with emails. Therefore, we’re recommending that students meet virtually with their teachers during Seminar and Friday Office Hours.

In this week’s announcements are links to videos and written directions for students to schedule time to meet virtually with teachers. They are shared through our [Tech Support website](#) as well, which can be found on our main website and under our 100% Remote Learning Plan for families.

[Written directions for student sign up](#)

[Video directions for student sign up](#)

Here are video and written directions for students on where to find the appointment slot on their calendar and how to connect with their teacher during the appointment.

[Written directions for student connecting through Google Calendar appointments](#)

[Video directions for student connecting through Google Calendar appointments](#)

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**DECEMBER DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP**

During the month of December, our 9th, and 10th grade classrooms will engage in digital citizenship learning related to **Privacy & Security**. These lessons will introduce students to the concept of online privacy and the potential implications of sharing private information with friends, the public, app providers, and more. [https://tinyurl.com/y6jd299u](https://tinyurl.com/y6jd299u)

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**CONIFER LIBRARY**

The Conifer Library Branch re-opens its doors to the public on Saturday, December 5th. Walk-in visits are limited to one hour or less. You’ll be given a colored sticker upon entry to place in a visible area on your outer clothing. This helps us comply with the new time limits. Please see the flyer attached to this week’s announcements for more information.

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**MASKERADE CONIFER ROTARY FUNDRAISER**

As a nonprofit, the Conifer Rotary Club continues to raise funds for community grants and high school senior scholarships (college and trade schools). This fall the club members have turned their mask crafting skills to help the Conifer Rotary Foundation raise money with a project called MASKerade, an online mask shop.

They need your help to get the word out. They have close to 300 masks on their website ([http://coniferfest.com/](http://coniferfest.com/)) and would be grateful if you would share their MASKerade fundraiser with your extended family, friends, and anyone who might need a new mask.

Thank you for your support.

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**FAMILY-SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP SURVEY**

It’s that time of year again! The District will send family school partnership surveys to each family. The annual Family-School Partnership (FSP) Survey gives families an opportunity to provide
feedback on the six nationally recognized family engagement standards and on the Jeffco Generations Vision. Please look for this survey in your district communications email.

Also, families should receive the Make Your Voice Heard Survey from the district. Through the Make Your Voice Heard (MYVH) survey, students can provide feedback on school climate, student-staff relationships, and rigor and relevance. Click here to view the letter.

In Sports …

SEASON B IS OPEN FOR REGISTRATION

Student-athletes can now register for Boys/Girls Basketball, Girls Swim/Dive and Wrestling! Visit our website or click here to register. DEADLINE is DECEMBER 14th!

NOTE: ALL Athletic fees from SEASON A (XC, Golf, Tennis, Softball and Football) need to be paid in full prior to registering for Season B.

Reminder: ALL ATHLETES need to have a CURRENT SPORTS PHYSICAL. Due to the COVID situation, you may want to complete this task and make those appointments ASAP. The form is available on our website as well.

Please contact coaches directly for any questions about practices, games, and expectations. We will keep coaches updated and informed with the ever-changing challenges that COVID brings. With that in mind, expect CHSAA to make updates about the season as well.

GO LOBOS!

FALL ATHLETE PHOTOS

Athlete photos are available for viewing and ordering at dr-photo.com. Click HERE to view your athlete’s personal and team photos. Your passcode to access athlete photos is the student ID number. If you have any issues accessing your images, please contact DR Photo directly at 303-346-2772 or via email at support@dr-photo.com.