

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, February 22nd through Saturday, February 27th.

Here are some important announcements...

Return to 100% In- Person	In the coming weeks, the school district will share the official date for our return to 100% in-person learning, with the option for students to remain 100% remote learning for the remainder of the spring semester. My staff is looking forward to the students' return and making sure we support them academically and social-emotionally.
	The return to 100% in-person also allows my administrative team to begin requesting variances for end of the year athletic events and activities, including traditional senior recognition events. As we receive approvals, I will share updates on dates and details in our weekly announcements.
	For the fall semester, we are currently making plans for 100% in-person learning. If a family wishes to have their child remain in 100% remote learning, you should let Assistant Principal Gretchen Swanson (Gretchen.Swanson@jeffco.k12.co.us) know of your decision. As I've mentioned before, 100% remote learning will be provided by the school district in a centralized synchronous learning program and not through Conifer High School.
	We really look forward to having all of our students return and the energy our students bring to our school!
Senior Shirt Pick-up – Friday, February 26 th between 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.	Seniors should make plans to swing by Conifer on Friday, February 26 th between 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to pick-up their Senior shirt, College Bound shirt, have their photo added to the Class Photo, and contribute to the Class Mural. Remember, if you miss the Class Photo, your picture won't be included in the large photo that hangs in the Conifer Commons. In addition, we want to provide our future graduates with your College/Military Bound shirts and hang their personal banners in the Commons too. Please make sure to go into Naviance and select college or military to let us know your plans for next year.
New Date and Time: Parent-Teacher Conferences – Friday, February 26 th from 1:00 until 4:00 p.m.	Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Friday, February 26 th from 1:00 until 4:00 p.m. To schedule Zoom appointments with teachers, please click on the following link: tinyurl.com/koq3bd7n .
PTSO Request for Help at Parent-Teacher Conferences	PTSO is asking parents to help contribute to a meal for teachers on Friday, February 26 th . Click on the Sign-Up Genius link to help out: https://tinyurl.com/1h5gauhl Thank you from your Conifer PTSO!

PSAT/SAT On-Line	As our students prepare for the PSAT/SAT assessments scheduled for Tuesday, April
Prep-Course	13 th , Conifer is providing a <u>free</u> online PSAT/SAT strategy prep-course. Students can participate in the online course by joining the Google Classroom: <u>tinyurl.com/1lg7inba</u> . Each week, new videos and PowerPoint slides will be uploaded with tips and strategies to help answer test questions. Freshmen, Sophomores and, especially Juniors , should consider participating in this free PSAT/SAT strategy prepcourse.
High School Seniors: College Bound? Make Sure to Complete Your FAFSA!	Families of high school seniors, if your student plans to attend a two- or four-year college or a trade/technical school after high school, please be sure you have filled out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) . Completing the FAFSA is the gateway to grants, work-study, and low-interest loans that can be an important part of your college payment strategy. Many colleges have priority financial aid deadlines that are coming up soon, so if you haven't already completed it, we encourage you to submit your FAFSA as soon as possible in order to be considered for all types of available aid. If you have questions about the FAFSA, reach out to your student's high school counselor for resources.
DECA News	Our DECA students are in the middle of State competition! Here is our February newsletter with details about DECA competition; Winterfest on February 27 th ; DECA week; and other current DECA happenings: https://tinyurl.com/1wce289q
Parent Graduation Committee	Senior Parents, we need your help in making the celebrations for our seniors a great and memorable experience. Please click on the following link for more information and to volunteer for a Senior Parent Committee: Parent Graduation Committees
New Graduation Requirements for Class of 2022	Attention Juniors, the State Board of Education has established new graduation requirements that students will need to complete in order to graduate from Conifer High School. The graduation requirements for the class of 2021 will be based solely on successful completion of the required 23 credits. The demonstration of knowledge for graduation readiness will still be required for the graduating classes of 2022 and beyond. For more information, please visit the Jeffco Graduation Requirements website: https://tinyurl.com/71zqg6ec
Conifer High School Library Information	Click on this link to get the latest information about how to use the high school's library system: tinyurl.com/1j3z3df0
Class of 2021 Graduation Ceremony Saturday, May 22 nd	In recognition of the Class of 2021, we're proud to announce that we will host a Commencement Ceremony on Saturday, May 22, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. on Fitz Field at Conifer High School. As a result of Jeffco Health Guidelines, this will be a limited seating ceremony.
Support CLUB Last Push for Bleachers	Support CLUB (Conifer Lobo Unified Boosters) as they are making their final push to install bleachers on Fitz Field by next fall. CLUB has dedicated themselves to improving Conifer facilities over the years by installing lights and team rooms. Conifer

	High School would not have the best facilities in Jefferson County without CLUB. Please check out their website at https://www.clubchs.org/
Google Calendar Appointments with Teachers	Students and teachers have requested a better format for students to access help from teachers. We understand that emails do not 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.
	Here are the links to videos and written directions for students to schedule time to meet virtually with teachers. They are shared through <u>our Tech Support website</u> 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
	<u>Video directions for student sign up</u>
	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
	<u>Video directions for student connecting through Google Calendar appointments</u>
Conifer Summer School – June 1 st through June 24 th	Conifer Summer School will provide in-person and remote options for credit recovery from June 1 st – 24 th . Registration begins on May 1 st . For more information, please contact Assistant Principal Greg Manier at Gregory.Manier@jeffco.k12.co.us or by phone at 303-982-5291.

In Sports ...

Boys Basketball - Monday, February 22 nd	On Monday, February 22 nd , our Boys Basketball Team will host Littleton High School with a tip-off at 7:00 p.m.
Boys Basketball - Wednesday, February 24 th	On Wednesday, February 24 th , our Boys Basketball Team will take on Golden High School starting at 7:00 p.m.
Girls Swim & Dive - Wednesday, February 24 th	On Wednesday, February 24 th , our Girls Swim and Dive Team will host a meet against Dakota Ridge High School at Platte Canyon High School. Time is TBD (3:00 p.m. or later).
Boys Basketball, Friday, February 26 th	On Friday, February 26 th , our Boys Basketball Team will play Standley Lake High School with the tip-off is at 7:00 p.m.

At this time, fans are <u>not</u> allowed to attend games in-person. However, you can watch the games for free at <u>Nfhsnetwork.com</u> . Detailed information is currently posted on our Athletic website.		
ATHLETIC REGISTRATION IS OPEN!	Register NOW for Season "C" – Boys Soccer and Girls Volleyball. The season starts on March 1st. Contact the <u>coaches</u> for more information. Register <u>HERE!</u>	
Conifer Gear	Buy your new Conifer Gear online! Place your order on or before Friday, February 26 th . Click on the link and get started: https://tinyurl.com/4qsqol7t	