



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 8th through Saturday, February 13th.

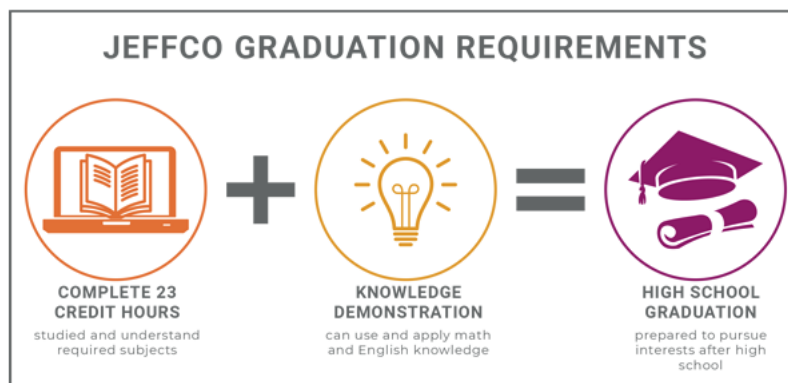
Here are some important announcements...

100% In-Person for Fall 2021	<p>Yesterday, the Jeffco Public Schools announced that students will return to 100% in-person learning for the Fall 2021. This is great news for our families and our school.</p> <p>As a result of the COVID Pandemic and the safe school health guidelines, we understand that some families chose remote learning and other educational environments for their children this past year. We hope that you will consider returning to Conifer High School to take advantage of the exceptional educational opportunities, athletic programming, and award-winning clubs and activities that we provide our students.</p> <p>Go Lobos!</p>
HOSA Highlight Video	<p>The Conifer HOSA (Health Occupations) Club has created a video that highlights the HOSA program and the benefits of joining their club.</p> <p>Video Link: https://youtu.be/vzicxSLcxdo</p>
Award-Winning Lobo Regiment Marching Band	<p>The Lobo Regiment Marching Band is looking for musicians to join our state level program as we prepare for competition this fall. If you're interested in going to state and bringing back a trophy to Conifer, please contact Sean Cartner by email at Sean.Cartner@jeffco.k12.co.us or by phone at 303-982-5269.</p>
Senior Parents Meeting – Tuesday, February 9th at 4:30 p.m.	<p>If you are interested in helping with senior items, such as, the senior slideshow, Ta Tonka Farms flowers, and/or memory boards, please attend an informational meeting on Tuesday, February 9th at 4:30 p.m. These events will help make a tough year a little better for our seniors! Thanks for your support!</p> <p>Zoom Meeting Link Below.</p> <p>Join Zoom Meeting: https://tinyurl.com/yyk548bj</p> <p>Meeting ID: 951 7155 3392</p> <p>Passcode: 59Hg01</p>
Student and Staff Jackbox Game Night – Thursday, February 18th	<p>Students, this is your chance to prove you're the smartest person at Conifer High School, or at least among your friends. Students are encouraged to sign up a group to compete in a Jackbox Game Night on Thursday, February 18th at 4:00 p.m. Sign up a group of no more than 8 people using the form below. Sign up to have a great time competing!</p> <p>Student Sign-Up: tinyurl.com/2chxtyvx</p>

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.

STUDENTS MUST EARN CREDITS AND DEMONSTRATE MATH AND ENGLISH KNOWLEDGE.



REQUIRED COURSE CREDITS

Students are required to complete the 23 credit hours of study shown below.

1 SUBJECT	JEFFCO CREDITS	HEAR CREDITS ^a
English Language Arts	4	4
Math	3 ^b	4
Science	3 ^c	3
Social Studies	3.5 ^d	3
Physical Education	0.5	None
Fine/Practical Arts	0.5	None
World/Foreign Language	N/A	1
Additional Coursework	8.5	2
TOTAL	23	N/A

^a Higher Education Admission Recommendations for Colorado public four-year colleges/universities; private colleges/universities set their own admission standards

^b A minimum of algebra 1, geometry and one additional course at or above geometry

^c Three credits must be lab-based and meet both process and content standards are required

^d Geography, U.S. history, world history, U.S. government, economics

DEMONSTRATION OF KNOWLEDGE

Students are also required to demonstrate their knowledge in English and math to show they are ready to pursue a career after high school. Students may choose from a wide menu of tests, college-level courses, and new approaches like industry certifications and Capstone to fulfill the demonstration requirement.

Click on the linked option name below for more information.

2	DEMONSTRATION OPTIONS ^a	ENGLISH	MATH
	Accuplacer Next (Español)	241/Reading or 236 Writing	255/AR or 230/QAS ^b
	ACT (Español)	18	19
	ACT Work Keys (Español)	Bronze	Bronze
	Advanced Placement ^c (Español)	2	2
	ASVAB (Español)	31	31
	Concurrent Enrollment (Español)	Passing Grade	Passing Grade
	International Baccalaureate ^c (Español)	4	4
	SAT ^d (Español)	470	500
	District Capstone (Español)	Individualized	Individualized
	Industry Certificate (Español)	Individualized	Individualized
	Performance Based Assessment (in development)	State Rubric	State Rubric

^a Check with your school to learn which of the above options are offered
^b Arithmetic (AR); Quantitative Reasoning, Algebra, and Statistics (QAS)
^c Other demonstrations may be required if test scores come after deadline
^d All students are required to take the SAT in their Junior year

PSAT/SAT On-Line Prep-Course

As our students prepare for the PSAT/SAT assessments scheduled for Tuesday, April 13th, Conifer is providing a **free** online PSAT/SAT strategy prep-course. Students can participate in the online course by joining the Google Classroom: tinyurl.com/1lg7inba. Each week, new videos and PowerPoint slides will be uploaded with tips and strategies to answer test questions. Freshmen, Sophomores and, **especially Juniors**, should consider participating in this free PSAT/SAT strategy prep-course.

SAT Essay Registration Deadline – Tuesday, February 16th


SAT Testing Day – Tuesday, April 13th

11th Grade students in Colorado can add the SAT[®] with Essay to their SAT School Day registration for free. The Colorado Department of Education will cover all fees so you can take the SAT with Essay during the school day on April 13th. The window to sign up is January 18 - February 16, 2021. Please see attachment for instructions and additional information regarding this option.

Senior Shirt Pick-up – Friday, February 26th between 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

Hey Seniors, your senior shirts are ready, it's time to take the Class of 2021 photo and we need your help with the Senior Class Mural, which will be installed in Senior Hallway the new addition. Stop by Conifer on Friday, February 26th between 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to participate in these senior activities. Remember, if you miss

	the Class of 2021 photo taking, your picture won't be included in the large photo that hangs in the Conifer Commons.
New Date and Time: Parent-Teacher Conferences – Friday, February 26th from 1:00 until 4:00 p.m.	Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Friday, February 26th from 1:00 until 4:00 p.m. To schedule Zoom appointments with teachers, please click on the following link: tinyurl.com/koq3bd7n .
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
Make Your Voice Heard Survey	Make Your Voice Heard (MYVH) is a student survey that Jeffco Public Schools administers to students. MYVH has been given to Jeffco students for over a decade. MYVH is administered every other year to all Jeffco Schools students, but is available for schools to administer every year. MYVH is a survey designed to promote engagement in school, improves the school learning environment, and combats problems such as bullying. Conifer High School will be giving students the survey in January-February 2021. More information about the survey is linked here - Make Your Voice Heard Survey
Class of 2021 Graduation Ceremony Saturday, May 22nd	In recognition of the Class of 2021, we're proud to announce that we'll 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/
Early Releases and Dismissals	In an effort to prevent the spread of COVID, we strongly urge that students stay home the day of their appointment and engage in remote learning. In addition, we have a closed campus for Freshman and Sophomores, which means they need to stay in the building during the students' Study Hall class. Thank you for your continued support!
Rotary Foundation Fundraiser for High School Senior Scholarships	Castles and Kitchens is hosting a Valentine's Day Dinner Fundraiser with all the proceeds going toward high school senior scholarships. Click on the following link to order: https://coniferfest.com/shop

	 <p>The poster is for a Valentine's Day Take-Out Dinner fundraiser. It features a dark background with red roses, a bottle of wine, and a gift box. A red starburst says 'Order Today!'. The text reads: 'A Fundraiser By Rotary Club of Conifer', 'Valentine's Day Take-Out Dinner from CASTLES & KITCHENS of Conifer.', 'February 11-14, 2021'. The menu includes: Porcini Mushroom Ravioli with Sage Brown Butter Sauce, Choice of Chateaubriand OR Parisian Chicken, Roasted Potatoes, Seasonal Greens, and Chocolate Mousse. The price is \$75 per person. Orders can be placed at ConiferFest.com/shop.</p>
<p>Google Calendar Appointments with Teachers</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>Here are the 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.</p> <p>Written directions for student sign up</p> <p>Video directions for student sign up</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Written directions for student connecting through Google Calendar appointments</p> <p>Video directions for student connecting through Google Calendar appointments</p>

In Sports ...

<p>Girls Basketball, Monday, February 8th</p>	<p>On Monday, February 8th, our Girls Basketball Team will host Standley Lake High School with the tip-off at 6:00 p.m.</p>
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Girls Swim and Dive - Wednesday, February 10th	On Wednesday, February 10 th , our Girls Swim and Dive team will host a swim meet at Marge E. Hudak Public Swimming Pool in Bailey starting at 7:00 p.m.
Boys Basketball - Friday, February 12th	On Friday, February 12 th , our Boys Basketball team will play Alameda High School starting 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 Nfhsnetwork.com . Detailed information is currently posted on our Athletic website.	
New Swim and Dive School Record!	In Swim and Dive: A huge shout-out to freshman <u>Emilie Coleman</u> for taking 1st overall in the 100-Breaststroke with a time of 1:10.55. She broke the Conifer High School record by over 2 seconds! Go Lobos!
Conifer Gear	Buy your new Conifer Gear online! Place your order on or before 2/28/2021. Click on the link and get started. https://sportline.chipply.com/coniferhsspiritwear/store.aspx