



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, March 22nd through Saturday, March 27th.

Here are some important announcements...

Counseling Updates for <u>Junior</u> Parents and Students	<p>The Counselors were in the English classrooms last week on February 23rd and 24th to begin the conversation around postgraduate planning. It was awesome to reconnect, and we are looking forward to students returning full time! Because we want to make sure each junior is feeling supported, we are offering the opportunity to meet individually with their counselor. We will begin sending out passes on Monday, March 22nd. We know that some of you would rather meet with us personally through Zoom, this is fine but please email us so we can set up a time.</p> <p>Parents, we know that post graduate planning can be overwhelming. The Counselors are setting up a series of 5 workshops for Parents beginning on Tuesday, March 23rd from 3:00 until 3:30 p.m. We will also record these sessions if you are unable to join us. They will be posted on the CHS Home Page. We will also have a quick Q and A after the presentation.</p> <p>The Zoom Code: https://tinyurl.com/tycfsk5a</p> <p>The next Workshop, Series Two, will be on April 20th from 3:00 until 3:30 p.m. The Counselors will be discussing College Planning.</p> <p>The next three series will be in the fall 2021 and will consist of the following topics: The College Process, FAFSA and Scholarships.</p> <p><u>Executive Functioning for Parents</u></p> <p>This past week the district offered an executive functioning workshop for parents, in order to help children and teens strengthen executive functioning skills to reach their fullest potential. We are pleased to offer this presentation to you and invite you to watch it at your leisure.</p> <p>Smart but Scattered with Dr. Peg Dawson</p>
Freshmen Orientation – Thursday, March 25th	<p>As we prepare to bring all our students back to Conifer High School, we recognize how especially difficult this year has been for our freshmen; COVID has prevented the many opportunities our 9th graders typically have to get-to-know our High School Community. Before we invite all students back to our halls on Monday, April 5th, we would like to give all Freshmen the opportunity to attend their classes' in-person and receive information about clubs, student-help services, and advice for navigating their in-person high school involvement during their science class period on Thursday, March 25th.</p> <p>Buses will run at normal times, and any A cohort student who needs to use bus transport will be accommodated. If you would like your A cohort student to ride the bus on Thursday, March 25th, please email Cassie Alley cassie.alley@jeffco.k12.co.us to ensure buses can prepare for appropriate spacing guidelines. Other students who are not riding the bus will need a ride to and from school at our regular times. Buses will begin normal transportation</p>

	<p>operation for all students on Monday, April 5th. Please let us know if you have any questions!</p> <p>Also, if your freshmen student has Mr. Gregg for Science on Green Days, we would still like them to come to school on Thursday, March 25th, but they will receive their orientation information on Monday, April 5th in Biology class.</p>
Peer Counselor Applications	<p>The Conifer Peer Counselor program is asking Sophomores to apply to become a Peer Counselor for the 2021-2022 school year! Peer Counseling is an AMAZING and fun opportunity to support your classmates and the school! Peer Counseling activities include celebrating student birthdays, organizing Diversity Day, and getting to know a fun group of people while helping others!</p> <p>Apply here: Peer Counselor Application You'll need to sign into your Google student account to access this document, https://bit.ly/PeerCounselingApp or pick up an application in the counseling office!</p>
New Conifer Parents and Students - School Tour on Monday, April 5th	<p>The Conifer Peer Counselors are excited to see the return of students to Conifer High School. If Monday, April 5th marks the first time you've entered the high school, the Peer Counselors would like to provide you with a tour. Please join them at the Counseling Center on Monday, April 5th at 8:00 a.m.</p> <p>Welcome back, we're looking forward to seeing you! The Conifer Counselors</p>
Yearbook Photo Information	<p>Parents of 9th, 10th, 11th graders: If your child did not get school photos taken at Conifer this year, we don't have a photo for the yearbook. Please send a photo of your child to coniferyb@gmail.com at your earliest convenience!</p> <p>Your yearbook staffers are working to finalize the portraits section of the yearbook and find themselves almost 200 photos short.</p> <p>Thanks for your help! Leslie Thompson, CJE Adviser, CHS Student Media - CHSToday.net</p>
Recruiting High School Students for Jeffco Student Health Advisory Council – Due Wednesday, April 14th	<p>Do you know a high school student who is passionate about health and wellness? The Jeffco Student Health Advisory Council (SHAC) is recruiting new members. SHAC is a council of high school students from across Jeffco. Each year, students lead meaningful work for the health and wellness of their peers. SHAC is a wonderful opportunity to make a difference and to gain professional and leadership skills.</p> <p>Find out more about SHAC on their website. Students interested in applying can complete the application here. DEADLINE TO APPLY IS APRIL 14, 2021.</p>
Schwartz Award Nominations Due Friday, April 23rd	<p>It is time to nominate for the Annual Schwartz Award! This award is given to a professional (teacher, staff member, coach) or adult volunteer whose work at Conifer High School exemplifies and promotes the "Vision of Excellence". Nominations are due by Friday, April 23rd! Click here to nominate!</p> <p>A nominee promotes the "Vision of Excellence" by exhibiting one or more of the following characteristics:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Advocates for students balancing academic excellence with athletics, fine art and extra-curricular activities *Supports teachers and staff *Is a positive problem solver *Is energetic and enthusiastic *Prepares students for success in today's world by encouraging critical and global thinking *Challenges students to achieve efficacy through leadership opportunities, collaboration, and investment in all endeavors *Engages students with dynamic and innovative instructional practices *Provides various opportunities for support to meet individual student needs
PTSO Mind Blown Trivia Night – Saturday, May 8th	The Conifer PTSO is excited to host this year's Mind Blown Trivia Night, which is scheduled for Saturday, May 8 th . Tickets will go on sale Thursday, April 1 st - no fooling! Please help our PTSO with this annual fundraising event.
Senior Deadlines for Parents	Senior parents, please see the senior calendar for deadlines for submission of Memory Boards; photos for the slideshow; and flower pots to Ta Tonka Farms. Deadlines for ALL of these are coming up this month!
Upcoming Senior Dates	<p>Here are some important upcoming Senior dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior Breakfast – Tuesday, April 13th • Junior/Senior Prom – Thursday, May 20th • Class of 2021 Senior Award Ceremony – Friday, May 21st • Class of 2021 Commencement Ceremony – Saturday, May 22nd
Parking Permits	Students, you must have a parking permit to park on campus. If you have one, make sure you park in your assigned spot. If you do not have one, please see Dee Clark with security and she will assign you a parking spot. There is no fee this year, however, you may be issued a ticket for parking without a permit.
Student Media and Yearbook	<p>CHS Student Media now has a mobile app. The content for chstoday.net is now available in the Student News Source App in both the Apple App Store and the Google Play Store.</p> <p>Here are links to the apps in both stores: https://apps.apple.com/us/app/student-news-source/id1463449523 https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.snosites.studentnewssource</p> <p>Once you download the Student News Source App, open the app and start by searching for your school. Once you select your school, you'll be prompted to customize what push notifications you would like to receive, and then you'll be taken to the main content screen for your site in the app. The next time you open the app, it will automatically default to your site's content.</p>

	<p>Recognition ads in the yearbook. Parents, you can recognize students in any grade level with a student recognition ad at the back of the yearbook. Parents of seniors have purchased these ads for years to recognize their students' achievements, but the ads are not limited to seniors. Students in any grade can be recognized with a special ad.</p> <p>To purchase an ad, simply click on the link below:</p> <p>https://www.jostens.com/yearbooks/students-and-parents/yearbook-ads</p> <div>  <p>Yearbook Ads Jostens</p> <p>Honor your student with a recognition ad. Make the yearbook even more special for your student. A yearbook ad is a loving tribute to your student, personalized with your own sentimental message and a cherished photo, or photo collage.</p> <p>www.jostens.com</p> </div> <p>Purchase a yearbook. Your yearbook staff has been hard at work this year ensuring that the 2021 yearbook will cover all aspects of this completely weird year. I'm proud of the work they've done. We have about 100 books left for sale. Don't be left out. You can purchase at the school financial office or purchase direct from Jostens:</p> <p>https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/productBrowse/1027301/Conifer-High-School/2021-Yearbook/2020082704212670773/CATALOG_SHOP/</p>
Mental Health & Wellness Free Seminar Series for Jeffco Families!	<p>Nick Thompson, counselor, parent coach, and popular author of the podcast, "Perspectives for Parents," spends time with Jeffco parents and caregivers simplifying problems we all face. Learn more about the seminar and register for one of the free sessions.</p>
Relay for Life	<p>Relay for Life is a nonprofit organization run by the American Cancer Society. The mission of the program is to fundraise and increase awareness surrounding cancers. This event allows people of all ages to get involved and support a cause they believe in! Last year, our team raised over \$65,000! This money went towards research, hospital transport, appointment copays and even new wigs for those who lost their hair during cancer treatment!</p> <p>Cancer doesn't stop in a pandemic, so join our team and help us make a difference in someone's life. Learn how to earn community service hours by joining. Check out our website and let us know if you have any questions.</p>
New Graduation Requirements for Class of 2022	<p>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</p>

	of 2022 and beyond. For more information, please visit the Jeffco Graduation Requirements website: https://tinyurl.com/71zqg6ec
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/
Conifer Summer School – June 1st through June 24th	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 ...

Good Luck Conifer Poms	Good luck to our Conifer Poms Team as they travel to the State Competition in Colorado Springs on Thursday, March 25 th .
Congratulations Volleyball Team	The Lobo Volleyball Team dominated the Cougars of Evergreen with their first win of the season! Go Lobos!
Congratulations Lobos Swim and Dive Team	<p>They traveled to State this week and placed 12th in State out of 32 teams!</p> <p>Divers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12th place McKayla Haymes with a new 11 dive record of 302.80 • 16th place Paige Naku with a score of 262.85 <p>Swimmers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 200 Medley Relay broke the record of 1:59.43 with a 1:58.05 - Jaiden Graham, Emilie Coleman, Rachel Ley & Sage Swegle • Rachel Ley placed 8th in the 200 IM with a 2:17.81, just missing the record for Conifer. • Sage Swegle placed 16th in the 50 Freestyle with a best time of 26.16! • Sage Swegle also placed 16th in the 100 Freestyle at 57.45! • We had a nail-biter event in the 500 Freestyle with Rachel Ley placing 9th with a 5:36.01 and Emilie Coleman placing 10th with a 5:36.25! Great Job, Girls! • In the 200 Freestyle Relay Our swimmers swam a solid event with great splits too! • 19th place (Avery Parks, Evelyn Lucas, Jaiden Graham & Katie Rew) • Emilie Coleman (Freshman) broke her own 100 Breast stroke record by swimming a 1:08.19 placing 4th in a very intense race! Great Job, Emilie! We are so proud of you!

	Finally, for the 400 freestyle relay the girls cranked out best times of the season and moving their place from 11th to 9th place with a time of 3:51.67! Everyone had great splits! Congratulations Rachel Ley, Katie Rew, Emilie Coleman & Sage Swegle!
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Girls Volleyball – Tuesday, March 23rd	On Tuesday, March 23 rd , our Volleyball Team will host Alameda High School at 7:00 p.m.
Boys Soccer - Tuesday, March 23rd	On Tuesday, March 23 rd , the Boys Soccer will host Green Mountain High School at Lakewood Memorial Field starting at 7:00 p.m.
Girls Volleyball – Thursday, March 25th	On Thursday, March 25 th , the Lobo Volleyball Team will take on Littleton High School at 6:30 p.m.
Boys Soccer - Friday, March 26th	On Friday, March 26 th , the Boys Soccer will play against D'Evelyn High School at Lakewood Memorial Field starting at 5:00 p.m.
Girls Volleyball – Saturday, March 27th	On Saturday, March 27 th , the Girls Volleyball Team will host Columbine High School at 1:00 p.m.
At this time, not all fans are 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.	