Dakota Ridge High School Information Video

We invite you to view our Virtual Information Night presentation to learn more about our incredible school! Dakota Ridge High School Virtual Information Night

Dakota Ridge High School Principal Retirement and Hiring Process

Dr. Jelinek - Retirement Letter to Community

The process for interviewing and selecting a new high school principal is as follows – please note the highlighted section in regards to community/parent involvement:

1. On January 13th Scott Allensworth - Community Superintendent – will meet with DRHS staff to explain the principal hiring process, seek input from staff on candidate qualifications and qualities, and ask for Interview Committee Certificated Volunteers. We will select three certificated staff, one classified staff and one administrator.

2. Student representatives for the interview committee will serve as tour guides during the interviews and then be asked by the committee for their input on the candidates. Students will be selected from Student Government, MOD/SWOD, and Leadership Council.

3. On January 19th at 6:00 PM in the DRHS library, Scott Allensworth - Community Superintendent - will meet with interested DRHS community members to explain the principal hiring process and ask for interview committee community volunteers. We will select three community members to serve on the committee.

4. Those chosen for the interview committee will meet with Mr. Allensworth to review and prepare interview protocol, questions, timelines, and process.

5. Superintendent Dorland asks the principal interview committees to select two finalist candidates who then meet with her for a final interview. This candidate will then be forwarded to the BOE for final approval.

6. A new principal should be hired by mid - February.

English 11 Capstone Project:

All students in English 11 will embark upon an exciting educational journey 2nd semester by completing a Capstone Project. Please discuss with your student to learn more about this project. Click on the link below to read the parent letter.

English 11 Capstone Parent Letter
**Counseling Information**

**Jeffco Parent/Guardian Virtual Workshop:**

*Managing moments when emotions and behaviors get big and feel out of control*

Have you noticed when your child’s stress levels rise, yours do, too? Or, when their behaviors escalate, yours escalate as well? Have you been caught in the trap of yelling, slamming doors, and hollering empty or extreme threats? This all makes sense. Brain science can help us understand these crazy dynamics we get stuck in with our children. Learn how to use this information to guide you through the toughest of moments. This session is for parents and caregivers of toddlers to teenagers.

Jan. 25 6:00pm - 7:30pm OR Jan. 26 10:00am - 11:30am Registration Info Flyer

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**Athletics - click here for Eagles Activities**

Monday: Ice Hockey vs. Chatfield @ 1:45 PM – Edge Ice  
Tuesday: Women’s Basketball vs. Broomfield @ 7:00 PM - DRHS  
Wednesday: Men’s Basketball vs. Legend @ 7:00 PM - DRHS  
Friday: Men’s Basketball vs. Chatfield @ 7:00 PM - DRHS  
Saturday: Swim and Dive Women’s @ 5:00 PM – Ridge Rec. Center

**NEWS FROM THE EAGLES’ NEST**

Masks required for all inside events. Thank you for helping us keep our Eagles safe!  
All information on all of our teams, schedules, and fundraisers can be found on the link above.

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**Activities - click here for Eagles Activities**

**Congratulations 2021-2022 Colorado All State Choir**  
Bryce Anderson, Ashlee Espinoza, Alyssa Keller, Grace Miller, and April Morrow

**FCCLA Dating Violence Presentation**

This is an optional presentation that will be given on January 13, 2022, during Seminar.  
It is a presentation about unhealthy relationships, dating violence, and sexual harassment/assault. The presentation aims to give advice on what to do if you are in an unhealthy relationship. It also provides information for the person being abused, the abuser, and the bystander. This is going to be more of a discussion-based presentation. Members of FCCLA, Student Voice, and Jana’s Campaign will be interacting with the audience by presenting a series of slides with resources, scenarios, and basic definitions of what dating violence is. They will be asking the audience to discuss certain points of the presentation amongst themselves and share out if they are comfortable. DRHS Counseling Department will be present as well acting as support. This is a great opportunity to discuss healthy dating and relationship behaviors with your student. If you do not want your student to attend this optional presentation, please email rachel.parker@jeffco.k12.co.us

**Make Your Voice Heard Survey**

All students, grades 9-12, will participate in the Make Your Voice Heard Survey during Seminar from January 10 through February 11, 2022. This survey gives students the opportunity to provide feedback on our school’s climate, student-staff relationships, and rigor and relevance. The data is used to improve school culture and academic focus.

**Volunteers needed!!!**

We are starting to plan After Prom and need parent volunteers. If you are interested in helping plan an amazing event so our students can have fun and be safe after prom, please reach out to Rachel Parker at rachel.parker@jeffco.k12.co.us
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IB Programme Info Nights

November 18, 2021
6:30 p.m.
Dakota Ridge High School Library
13300 W. Candelero Ave.
Littleton, CO 80127
(Masks required)

January 11, 2022
6:30 p.m.
Virtual (Scan QR code for more information)

Please join us for one of these nights, either in-person or virtually, to learn about the incredible benefits of our IB Programme!

- Students are challenged with a rigorous curriculum to excel in their studies, pursue lifelong learning, and personal development.
- Students have the opportunity to earn an International Baccalaureate Diploma that is recognized worldwide.
- College & university decisions recognize that IB Diploma graduates are better prepared for the demands of college & future employment.
- Provides incredible opportunities for university recognition, scholarships & tuition savings.
- Opportunities for once-in-a-lifetime international travel. IB student travel offerings have included trips to China and Panama, with upcoming trips to Japan and Europe.

Come learn firsthand about this amazing program from our current students, teachers, and alumni. We will highlight Dakota Ridge’s IB Programme and explain the admittance process for the 2022-23 school year.

For more information, scan the QR code or visit:
www.dakotaridge.jeffco.k12.co.us or www.ibo.org

In addition to Dakota Ridge High School’s IB Programme, we offer:

- Over 50 AP, honors, college credit courses
- 10+ state-approved career/technical programs: broadcast journalism, business/marketing, CAD, engineering, FACS, forensics, performing arts, visual & design arts, ACE, World of Work
- Career Explore Program: access to industry credentials, training, apprenticeships, internships
- 1/1 Google Chromebook Initiative
- 1104 SAT Mean Score (2020)
- Distinguished arts, music, theater & athletic programs
- Over 30 clubs & extracurricular activities
- 94% graduation rate - one of the highest in Jefferson County
- 89% dropout rate: one of the lowest in Jefferson County
- 16% of graduates attend college or pursue military options

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For more information, call 303-984-4870 or visit dakotaridge.jeffco.k12.co.us

Dakota Ridge Shadow Days

Prospective DRHS Students/Families: Dakota Ridge Shadow Days allow prospective students to experience the positive energy and academic rigor found throughout our high school. Please join us to hear about our school, ask questions, and receive a school tour. Click on the Shadow Day flyer for more details and dates.
Make Your Voice Heard

Make Your Voice Heard (MYVH) is a student survey that Jeffco Public Schools administer 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, improve the school learning environment, and combat problems such as bullying. Dakota Ridge High School will be giving students the survey in January-February 2022.

Content. MYVH gathers information on three key areas of engagement: social/emotional, behavioral, and cognitive. Engagement in school is critical to academic performance and interest in continued education.

Jeffco Public Schools is interested in discovering students’ opinions of: the nature and quality of teacher feedback, rigor of classes, level of comfort and belonging at school, quality of their relationships with other students and staff, family support for learning, technology, healthy eating, and student interest areas. MYVH has the same survey questions for all schools; schools do not add their own questions. You may review the survey items by visiting this link: www.jeffcopublicschools.org/community_portal/research_surveys.

The results are compiled into aggregate level MYVH reports. These reports are used by district leaders and school staff to help maintain the positive aspects of our schools and to address individual student needs.

It is Voluntary. Your child does not have to take the survey. Students who participate only have to answer the questions they want to answer and they may stop taking it at any time.

It is Confidential. No students will be identified in any public reports or publications. The results will be made available for analysis only under strict confidentiality controls. Individual student data may be shared with school staff to provide instructional or school engagement supports.

Administration. The survey will be administered in January-February 2022. It will take about 30-45 minutes.
2021-22 Denver Nuggets
MILE HIGH BASKETBALL

The Denver Nuggets present the high school basketball prep pro series featuring

Dakota Ridge Eagles vs Denver South Ravens
& Mountain Vista Golden Eagles vs Denver Nuggets

Please join us as the Dakota Ridge Eagles take on the Denver South Ravens & the Mountain Vista Golden Eagles on the Denver Nuggets Court prior to the Clippers vs. Nuggets game on Wednesday, January 19th at 8:00PM.

Game Times:
12:30PM: Doors open
1:15PM: Eagles vs Ravens - Girls JV
2:30PM: Eagles vs Golden Eagles - Girls Varsity
3:00PM: Everyone must exit the arena
8:00PM: Clippers vs. Nuggets

Group Ticket Pricing:
Prices start at $35 each.

A portion of each ticket sold will go back to the basketball program.

Order Tickets Online:
https://nuggets.ktsentickets.com/2022Eagles

Important Information:
- Tickets are valid for both high school games in the afternoon and the Nuggets game that evening.
- Must have tickets to the 1/19 Nuggets game to attend HS games at Ball Arena.
- All tickets NOT purchased through the provided link are not valid for entry.
- All tickets must be surrendered in advance, no credit for ticket sales on day of game.

Important - Vaccine Protocols:
For questions or more information, please contact Lindsay Merchbanks at 303.495.7635 or 720.279.9181 or email Lindsay.Merchbanks@Team3C.com

JeffCon
Student Technology Conference
Friday, January 28, 2022 8AM - 4:30PM
1829 Denver West (Drive 327)
Golden, Colorado 80401

Our mission is to ignite a love for information technologies and passions to continue in the field.

What is JeffCon?
Jefferson is a yearly student convention for high school students hosted by Jefferson Public Schools.
Here your student can explore technologies and jobs in the industry.

What will my student get from attending JeffCon?
Your student will learn from real-world IT professionals about their jobs and available career paths. They will have a chance at scholarships, internships, and prizes.

How much does it cost to have my student attend?
Jefferson is 100% free for Jefferson Public Schools students.

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