MISSION STATEMENT:
THE MITCHELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMUNITY PROVIDES AN ENVIRONMENT IN WHICH ALL CHILDREN WILL LEARN AND SUCCEED

The Mitchell Friday Note is an important place to be sure you have the current information about what's happening in our school.

Mitchell Halloween
Check out what to expect for how students will be enjoying Halloween at school:

- Halloween Parade will take place at 9:00 AM- students are invited to wear costumes to school. These costumes need to be school appropriate (no weapons, culturally appropriate, and no halloween masks). Families are invited to view the parade OUTDOORS. Our parade will start out on the lower blacktop and then move to the upper blacktop, then back through the front door. If you as an adult choose to come in costume, please also make sure your costume follows these guidelines to align with this safe and welcoming environment of this celebration. Take pictures, cheer on your students!
- Please leave furry friends at home as there are lots of people, strollers and crowded walkways.
- Students will be taking off their costumes after the parade and are encouraged to bring a tote bag or grocery bag to store their costume afterwards.
- The remainder of the day is focused on activities and/or themed learning developed in partnership between students and teachers. This might include games, crafts, snacks, activities, and/or movies.
October Series: Dyslexia Awareness Month

At Mitchell, we are committed to ensuring every child receives the support they need to succeed academically. Our strong Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS) includes universal screening of foundational literacy skills in grades K-3 using the Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy assessment, structured literacy instruction that includes explicit phonics in grades K-2, small group evidence-based interventions taught by classroom teachers, and classroom accommodations. We have a Student Support Team that provides a structure for teachers and families to collaborate when a student faces challenges. If you have questions about your child's learning or the ways we support learners at Mitchell, contact your child's teacher or Lisa Donahue-White, Mitchell's Instructional Coach.

Weather Prepared

As the weather gets colder, it is important that students are appropriately dressed to play outside. We go outside almost every day at Mitchell. Sometimes as our Colorado weather makes big swings, students forget coats, hats, sweaters.... Please help label our child's items with their name so we can help get those back to them if they are misplaced.

New Project

We are excited to share about a new project happening at Mitchell. Many students and families have been asking for several years to expand our Outdoor Eating Area. Mitchell aims to invite students to eat outside on as many days as the weather permits. With our limited area, students rotate through this opportunity by class or groups. Thanks to a generous partnership between the Mitchell PTA and our district facilities department, Phase I of this project has begun. You will notice a new, larger concrete pad for eating with safer steps to the cafeteria door right along the front of our school. We hope to be able to move forward with Phase 2 (additional picnic tables) and Phase 3 (a permanent shade structure) later this year. Be on the lookout for more information around fundraising for these phases from PTA throughout the year.
Candy Collection
The FUTP60 team will be collecting any candy for our annual candy collection at Mitchell. The candy collected will be distributed to local organizations throughout the Golden community. We will collect candy from Wednesday, November 1st to Friday, November 3rd. The collection will be at the front and back entrances between 8:30 a.m. - 8:45 a.m. Thank you.

Golden High School invites you and your family to Trick or Treat Street on Monday, October 30th! Doors open at 5:00pm and GHS clubs and sports will be giving out candy until 6:30pm. Golden provides a safe and fun environment to go Trick or Treating. Everyone is welcome! Wear your best costume and come check it out!

Yearbooks
Families interested in ordering a yearbook for their student can secure the lowest price now until the end of October. Use the link or QR code on the flier at the end to order.

As Veterans Day approaches, 4th graders are creating a slideshow of our Mitchell family/community veterans. Please feel free to upload a picture of your veteran at this link. https://forms.gle/PH23EE1ewByaB9SV6
If you have questions, please email Ms. Hudson at kristina.hudson@jeffco.k12.co.us
Honoring Veterans pages were sent home last week in folders. As students turn those into the office we will work to create a bulletin board of veterans in our community for all to see.

Original Works
The time has come for our visual arts Original Works fundraiser! In your child's Friday Folder is a personalized order form. Use this form to order keepsakes of your child's artwork. Each form is personalized for each student with a unique ordering code. Some of the proceeds from this fundraiser come back to Mitchell's visual arts program to help provide quality art supplies for students. If you have any questions or problems ordering, please contact Mr. Kramer at julian.kramer@jeffco.k12.co.us Thank you for helping support our visual arts program!

PTA Corner

Parenting Safe Children Workshop

If you are interested in adding to your toolbox with resources to have protective conversations with your children, join other families in this 2 part workshop generously subsidized by the PTA.


Save the Date: Western on Washington

The Western on Washington is Mitchell Elementary’s largest fundraiser and is now an event for our entire community - alumni, grandparents, friends, local business owners - the more, the merrier! So come one, come all, and bring everyone to show off Golden!
April 19, 2024  Tickets now available here:  
https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2024-western-on-washington-a-saloon-stroll-tickets-73589788939

Sponsorship interest? Txt 303.917.4572

Important Dates

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Celebrate our Rocking Mustangs and Recess ROCKStars


Please don’t hesitate to call the office with any questions 303.982.5875 or go onto our website  
http://mitchell.jeffcopublicschools.org for up to date school information.
CAPTURE YOUR MEMORIES IN THIS YEAR’S MITCHELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL YEARBOOK!

Customize Your 2 Free Pages

Add photos from your computer, Facebook, Instagram, Google Drive & more.
Answer fun Memory Questions to help remember the year.
The 2 Custom Pages are FREE and are printed ONLY in your book. Want more pages? Each additional 2 pages is just $0.99.

To Purchase & Customize Your Yearbook Must be a parent or student 13 years or older.
1. Go to: www.treering.com/validate
2. Enter your school’s passcode: 1013906030741957

Regular price: $25.55
Create Custom Pages by: Apr 12
MITCHELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRESENTS AN EXCEPTIONAL WORKSHOP WITH FEATHER BERKOWER, LCSW

Parenting Safe Children
A workshop empowering adults to keep children safe from sexual assault

“Parenting Safe Children is the single most worthwhile parenting class I’ve ever attended. In fact, going to this workshop was the best thing I have ever done for my children. And, Feather Berkower is amazing!”

Michele Leifer, Parent

Parenting Safe Children focuses on educating adults how to keep children from sexual assault, taking the burden off of children to have to protect themselves.
Ideal workshop for parents, relatives, teachers, therapists... anyone who cares about children!

Please join us for an inspiring workshop on Preventing Child Sexual Assault . . .
One Community at a Time

This is a must-attend workshop for people with children of all ages!
You will learn:
- What makes children vulnerable to sexual assault?
- Body-safety rules you can teach your children to keep them safe.
- How you can talk about your child’s body safety with teachers, coaches, nannies, family members, faith leaders and other parents.

Workshop Topics
Consent • Playing “what if” games with children • Building a Prevention Team™ of caregivers • Tips for interviewing childcare providers • Body-safety rules for children • Secrets • Age-appropriate sexual behavior vs. problematic sexual behavior in children • “Teachable Moments” • Teaching manners while also teaching kids to say “NO” if they are unsafe
- Answering kids sexual questions • Talking about pornography with kids

PART 1 – SATURDAY NOVEMBER 4, 2023
9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. MST
PART 2 – SATURDAY NOVEMBER 11, 2023
9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. MST
Link provided upon registration

COST & REGISTRATION:
$32.64 per person generously subsidized by Mitchell Elementary PTA - register at

*Must pay in advance to reserve your space.
*Registration payment is non-refundable & non-transferable to other PSC dates.
*Each person attending, including couples, must register with payment in advance.

Contact: Sarah Barkley – 303-957-7221
sarahnbarkley@gmail.com

Feather Berkower is a licensed clinical social worker and holds a Masters of Social Welfare from the University of California, Berkeley. She has been a leader in child sexual assault prevention since 1985 and educated over 150,000 schoolchildren, parents and professionals. She is available to present Parenting Safe Children in your school, community or business.

For more information visit www.parentingsafechildren.com