"Aiming for Success, Believing... Together We Can!"

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Message From the Principal

Dear Columbine Hills Families,

As we wrap up 2020, I want to extend my deepest gratitude to the Columbine Hills Community for all of the support. I speak for our entire staff when I say we have been grateful for every single day we have for in-person learning. Our kids, remote and in-person, are thriving despite all of the challenges we have had to overcome. It is amazing to see the growth our students have made so far this year. It is joyous to see the learning and thinking that each student engages in each day. Thank you all for your continued support of our staff and students as we have navigated these interesting times together.

As we move to 100% remote for students after Thanksgiving Break, we ask for your continued partnership to make this transition successful for students. Please remember the importance of letting your child see how much you value education and share your love of learning whether it be in-person or remote. It is ok if you do not have all the answers to your child’s questions, but it is important to show them how to find the answers. Learning builds confidence, and a child who is confident is more open to learning new things. We truly appreciate your partnership in your child’s education.

Students will be taking their mid-year assessments in December and January. We are excited to see the growth each child has made. We will be communicating the format of these assessments and whether we will be able to assess students in-person or remotely. We look forward to sharing your child’s progress with you.

We wish you a wonderful Holiday Season and a healthy New Year! Keep your children reading over winter break and enjoy your time together. We look forward to seeing everyone in 2021!

Sincerely,

Christa Wilson
Principal
Aiming for Success, Believing...Together We Can!
Thank You Columbine Hills PTA!

Columbine Hills would like to thank our AMAZING PTA! We want to recognize our PTA for all of their continued support at our students, staff, community and school. Below are just some of the ways our PTA has supported our school this first semester! Thank you!

- Grants for Education for teachers
- Box Top Competitions
- Virtual Family Trivia Night
- Virtual Pumpkin Carving Contest
- Treats and Meals for teachers
COLUMBINE HILLS ELEMENTARY 2021-2022 REGISTRATION/
KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION NIGHT

Columbine Hills Elementary will begin Kindergarten and Choice enrollment on December 8, 2020 for the 2021-2022 school year. We will be offering free full day kindergarten class. Our Kindergarten information night will be held on December 9th and January 7th at 6:30 pm. These meetings will be virtual. If you know of any families that would be interested in attending, please have them call the school office so that we can share the Zoom link for the information night. If you have any questions, please call our office at 303-982-5540.

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Band and Orchestra

Hello band and orchestra parents and guardians,

Your student should have successfully signed up for an account to smartmusic.com which is an online suite of practice tools. Try to have your student demonstrate logging on, finding their method book, and performing a short song with the background accompaniment.

More parent information about SmartMusic can be found here: https://www.smartmusic.com/parents/

What is SmartMusic? https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H_IRZBSO_zU&t=37s

Here is a video of Mr. Whaylen demonstrating the basics: https://youtu.be/epTwhU_hPeI

If your student is not yet signed up, or struggles to find their way to the correct materials please contact me for assistance.

Students should be working on music to inspire some upcoming holiday cheer! Orchestra students should be practicing #20 (Good King Wenceslas), and #41 (Jingle Bells), as well as working on their bowing fundamentals. Band students can be practicing #27 (Good King Wenceslas), and Jingle Bells on page 12 of their book.

We will continue to meet virtually throughout the month of December, so be on the lookout for more communications regarding instrumental music.

Sincerely and Musically,

Eric Whaylen – eric.whaylen@jeffco.k12.co.us
Heartland Hero Essay Contest

Columbine Hills 5th grade students participated in the Heartland Hero Essay contest sponsored by The Captain Jason Dahl Foundation. Many area schools participate in the hero essay writing project known as the Heartland Hero essay contest. Our students learned about some of the tragic events that occurred on September 11, 2001 and about Captain Jason Dahl. He was a Ken Caryl resident who piloted the United Airlines flight 93 that crashed into a field in Pennsylvania after his aircraft was high-jacked by terrorists. His late wife, Sandra Dahl, wanted to honor him and inspire others, so she began the Heartland Hero essay project. Our 5th grade students wrote essays about a personal hero who made a positive difference in their lives. Congratulations to these amazing writers! Thank you for sharing about the heros in your life who have had a significant impact on you. Columbine Hills would also like to thank all of the sponors of this project: Jason Dahl Foundation, Texas Road House, and The Colorado Credit Union.

The Columbine Hills Essay Winners were:
1st Place: Kyle Squillace
2nd Place: Jacob Nielsen
3rd Place: McKenzie Quinn
Sponsorship space in this newsletter is extremely affordable! Reach parents in your local community & a significant portion of your investment goes back to the school! Want to sponsor this school? Please contact Rob Mangelson at Rob@tscacolorado.com or (720) 878-4107.
BUG Awards

Congratulations to the following students who were chosen by their homeroom teachers to receive the BUG (Bringing Up Grades) Award for the month November 2020. The BUG awards are sponsored by the Littleton Optimist Club. Selection is based upon academic improvement and/or increased effort, improved or good attendance and good citizenship. Each selected student receives a "BUG" t-shirt, a "BUG" pencil and a certificate.

Kindergarten: Jadon Davis (Ms. Baltazar’s class)

Avery Marugg (Mrs. Blackwell’s class)

Odette Reindl (Mrs. Becker’s remote class)

Grade 1: Dylan Vargas (Mrs. Hartley’s class)

Grade 1/2: Isabella Cuevas (Ms. Johanson’s class)

Grade 2: Emma Redleaf (Ms. Kloess’ class)

Jacob Preussner (Mrs. Doherty’s remote class)

Grade 3: Millie Smidt (Mrs. Bawden’s class)

Grade 3/4: Exavier McGinty-Chavez (Ms. Kirkland’s class)

Grade 4: Easton Schultz (Mrs. Capansky’s class)

Dante Leroy (Mrs. Fischer’s remote class)

Grade 5: Tristan Hensley (Mrs. Bettmann’s class)

Willow Griffiths (Mrs. Tapsfield’s class)

Saber Zelaya (Mrs. Cable’s remote class)
Writer of the Month Awards

Congratulations to the following students who were selected as the Writer of the Month for the month of November 2020 by their teachers. Their writing will be displayed in the front entry for everyone to read.

Kindergarten: Caroline Mullen (Ms. Baltazar’s class)
              Lillian Wegener (Mrs. Blackwell’s class)
              Adelena Williams (Mrs. Becker’s remote class)

Grade 1:      Ellie Smidt (Mrs. Hartley’s class)

Grade 1/2:    Sadie Anderson (Ms. Johanson’s class)

Grade 2:      Ethan Zeller (Ms. Kloess’ class)
              Josiah Montoya (Mrs. Doherty’s remote class)

Grade 3:      Cade Hesman (Mrs. Bawden’s class)

Grade 3/4:    Gabe Riffel (Ms. Kirkland’s class)

Grade 4:      Jayden Girard (Mr. Capansky’s class)
              Mateo Lobato (Mrs. Fischer’s remote class)

Grade 5:      Meghan Wilcox (Mrs. Bettmann’s class)
              Michael Bautista (Mrs. Tapsfield’s class)
              Valentina Irizarry (Mrs. Cable’s remote class)
Dear Families,

During the month of December, our 5th, 6th, 9th, and 10th grade classrooms will engage in digital citizenship learning related to Privacy & Security. These lessons will introduce students to the concept of online privacy and the potential implications of sharing private information with friends, the public, app providers, and more.

At home you can assist your student in understanding Privacy & Security in a variety of ways; especially when creating online profiles with gaming websites, social networking apps and other sites. When supporting your child in setting up an online account, consider the following:

- **Use a family email address** for your child’s first accounts. This will ensure that the account can be monitored and managed by an adult in the family.
- **Username** - Do not use full names or first for usernames and do not use someone else’s name. Usernames should not include personal information.
- **Create a secure password** - Passwords need to be easy enough for kids to remember but not easy for others to guess. Use at least 10 characters, use both uppercase and lowercase letters, and use a number too.
- **Choosing a profile picture** - If a site offers avatars, it is best to use them. When using an actual photo make sure the image does not reveal personal information like a school shirt, street address or other identifying elements in the background.

**Monthly Motto**: We care about everyone’s privacy.

**Discussion Question for School and Home**: How can I keep my personal data safe and secure?

**Privacy & Security Family Activities**

- Kindergarten [English](#)
- Grade 1 [English](#)
- Grade 2 [English](#)
- Grades 3-5 [English Spanish](#)
- Grades 6-8 [English Spanish](#)
- Grade 9-12 [English](#)

**Family Tips Sheet**

Help Boost Kids’ Safety, Privacy, and Security

[English Spanish](#)

**Additional Family Engagement Resources**

Common Sense Media [Resources](#)

[Jeffco’s Tech for Ed Website](#)
PTA GRANTS FOR EDUCATION and REIMBURSEMENTS

The PTA is proud to sponsor Grants for Education at CHE. With this program, the PTA purchases materials and services as requested by our teachers and staff. The projects we have funded so far are:

- Multiplication.com for remote learning
- Wireless Microphone for teaching
- Bjorem Speech Sounds Cues
- Digital PE Curriculum

We are also reimbursing staff for up to $50 of classroom supplies.
Remote Learning Tips

Create a learning space
- Set up a workspace with all your supplies for class
- Have a flat and stable surface to type and write on
- Consider where you’ll be comfortable, less distracted, and able to share audio and video
- Remove toys and other personal items
- Keep food and drink away from devices

Engage with your teacher
- Be brave and turn your camera on whenever possible
- You will be called on to speak in class so be prepared
- React to your teacher with facial expressions
- Each teacher may have different expectations/rules; follow their lead

Focus on the task
- Turn off cell phones, televisions, or other devices in the room
- Close distracting tabs on your screen
- Refrain from playing with toys or other personal items
- Use split screen feature to access other pages your teacher directs you to
- Use the chat feature to ask questions or use emojis in the chat when you can’t turn your camera on

Respect others
- Be on time for class
- Mute the microphone unless it’s your turn to speak
- Raise your hand and wait to be called on
- Participate in breakout rooms with your classmates
- Stay on task and be appropriate
It's almost time to EnrollJeffco! Enrollment for the 2021-22 school year is open on Tuesday, December 8th. Enrolling early is great, not only because you can cross it off your to-do list, but it also helps our District prepare for next year’s staffing, budget, student resources, and more.

FOLLOW THESE THREE STEPS TO ENROLL:

1. LEARN ABOUT OUR SCHOOL
   jeffcopublicschools.org/schoolfinder
   With School Finder, you can check out our updated school profile for information about our school, such as contacts, school data, programs offered, and virtual info night details.

2. UPDATE JEFFCO CONNECT
   jeffcoconnect.jeffco.k12.co.us
   For current students, make sure your contact information is up to date. If you are new to Jeffco, you will need to create an account. Contact our school if you do not remember your username or password or need any additional assistance.

3. ENROLL FOR SCHOOL
   enrolljeffco.org
   Beginning December 8th, whether you are returning to us or applying for the first time, Enroll Jeffco will provide all the information you need to enroll in Jeffco Public Schools for the 2021-22 school year.
JEFFCO FOOD & NUTRITION SERVICES

REMOTE MEAL SERVICE
STARTING WEEK OF MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH

WHEN:
TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS
3:30PM-4:30PM

WHAT:
3-DAY & 4-DAY MEAL PACKS CONTAINING
BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

HOW:
INSIDE SCHOOL BUILDING AT REMOTE SITE
(SEE BELOW)
- NOT CURBSIDE

WHERE:
ALAMEDA JR/SR
ARVADA HS
BEAR CREEK K8
COLUMBINE HS
CREIGHTON MS
EIBER ELEMENTARY
GREEN MOUNTAIN HS
POMONA HS
ROSE STEIN ELEMENTARY
STEVENS ELEMENTARY
SUMMIT RIDGE MS
WAYNE CARLE MS
WELCHESTER ELEMENTARY
WEST JEFF ELEMENTARY

Students do not need to be present to pick up meals.
Masks/face coverings & social distancing required.

IF YOUR STUDENT WILL BE IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR
PRESCHOOL OR SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS, PLEASE CHECK WITH YOUR
STUDENT’S TEACHER BECAUSE MOST SITES WILL PROVIDE MEAL SERVICE

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT:
JEFFCOPUBLICSCHOOLS.ORG/FOOD

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Students will have a 2 week AMP rotation.

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Columbine Hills Elementary School “Home School Connection”

Please return to Christa Wilson, Principal

I have a question, a concern or something positive to share:

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This information is optional:

Name:________________________________
Daytime Phone:_________________________

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We would like to give you an opportunity to share your appreciation of our staff by using this form below. Simply return the form to the office.

Staff Appreciation

Dear _________________________,

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