The Viewpoint
February 2018

Events

Feb. 5-9  Book Fair

Feb. 5  6th Girls Basketball @ Elizabeth (3:45 PM)
7/8th Girls Basketball vs. Elizabeth @ SMS (3:30 PM)

Feb. 7  Girls Basketball Tournament (TBA)
SCHS 8th Grade Parent Night (6:00 PM)

Feb. 8  SAC Meeting (5:30 PM)
Feb. 9  Cupid Ball (3:30 PM)

Feb. 10  Saturday School (by invitation only)

Feb. 13  Wrestling @ Elizabeth (4:00 PM)
PTSA Meeting (4:30 PM)

Feb. 15  Spring Pictures
Wrestling vs. Horizon @ Skyview (3:30 PM)

Feb. 16  Parent-Teacher Conferences—NO SCHOOL

Feb. 19  Presidents’ Day—DISTRICT CLOSED

Feb. 20  Wrestling @ Fountain (4:15 PM)

Feb. 21  Community Meeting: Drug Trends (6:00 PM @
Creekside Center)

Feb. 22  Wrestling vs. CMJH @ Skyview (3:30 PM)
Variety Show (6:00 PM)

Feb. 24  Wrestling Tournament @ Fountain

Feb. 26  Wrestling vs. Harrison/Canon City @ Skyview (3:30 PM)

Feb. 28  Wrestling @ TCA (3:30 PM)
Dear Skyview Parents,

I wanted to personally thank all of you that participated in the No Fuss Fundraiser. We were able to raise $2,300.00 and purchase many items from the teacher wish list. I received feedback from many parents that they would prefer to do this type of fundraiser in the future as it removes students from having to go door to door to sell items that they would not typically buy or use. With pride, I can say that 100% of the funds went to purchase items (reading books, chairs, cones, white boards, white board markers, etc.) that teachers and students use on a daily basis. We will continue to keep the No Fuss Fundraiser open for the rest of the year in case you were not able to contribute. As a reminder, all donations are tax deductible. We were not able to purchase many of the bigger items due to funds like Archery targets ($200 each) and a Camera (for Broadcasting), but I am hoping in the near future, we can provide this to our staff and students. Thank you again for your participation in this fundraiser!

Another opportunity that I wanted to share with you is about the Falcon Education Foundation. The Falcon Education Foundation (FEF) has been a long supporter of schools in District 49. This year, they celebrate their 19th year providing grants for teacher and scholarships for High School Graduating Seniors. They are also co-sponsors with the Board of Education for each of the high school 3.75 events. Our school specifically has been awarded many teacher grants that have provided Kindles for our students, standing desks, special seating, and different social programs. The way the foundation raises their money is through donations to the auction. We are looking for support in the form of donations for the auction to be held April 20, 2018. Seats for the dinner are also available. Items and money donated are tax deductible. If you are a parent that owns their own company, or work somewhere that can help with a donation, we are asking for your support. If you are interested in donating or would like to attend the event, please contact one of the following individuals:
Corrie Chapman 719-209-3938 email: cbchapm@aol.com
Joan DeWitt 719-684-7086 email: dewitt3855@msn.com

If you need more information, please visit: d49.org/FEF

Patty Gioscia
Assistant Principal

Stuffed Animal Grams
Sponsored by Student Council

Fall wildly in love with stuffed animal grams! Students may buy them at lunch from February 5th - February 9th for $2.50. Includes one stuffed animal and a personal message. They will be delivered on February 14th.
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Sand Creek High School
8th Grade Parent Night
Wednesday, February 7th
6:00 PM—8:00 PM
Click here for more details!

8TH GRADERS/PARENTS

8th Graders are assigned to the high schools by their address listed on Infinite Campus. If you need to verify your address, please call our Registrar, Mrs. Marry at 495-5579 or view demographics on Parent Portal. If you have an address change, please bring in proof of residence documentation (utility bill, lease, etc.). If you are planning to attend a school that is **NOT** your home boundary school, please contact that school for their School of Choice process.
PTSA "FUN"draiser!

More details coming soon!

Skyview Family Variety

February 22, 2018 – 6:00 to 8:00
In The Skyview Cafe

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SAC Meeting
February 8 - 5:30 PM

PTSA Meeting
February 13th - 4:30 PM

CUPID BALL
Friday, February 9th
3:30—5:30 PM
Tickets will be sold during lunches only
beginning February 1st.
Cost is $3.00.

From  Feb 5th - Feb 9th, the library will transform into a
mini book store!
As always we will have lots of good books available
for purchase during the week.

Come and check it out!

Mrs. Johnsen
jjohnsen@d49.org
We have an epidemic right now in the United States and I would like to encourage you and your families to consider eating a healthier diet. I have been to the lunch room and I see all the healthy food going in the garbage. Last week, I saw a student with a lunch of 4 puddings, fire Cheetos, and 2 cans of soda. Obesity rates in children and adolescents are at an all-time high with 1 in 6 kids being obese. Obesity is an excessive accumulation of body fat such that individuals are over 20 percent heavier than their ideal body weight. Obesity is a common eating disorder associated with adolescence. We are also seeing “adult” diseases in children such as high blood pressure, type 2 diabetes, arthritis, and heart disease. I had an 8th grader tell me he has prediabetes. He is so young for this type of diabetes and disease process!!! We also have to consider what this does to a child mentally. They are targets for bullying and have low self-esteem that can develop into depression. We have an opportunity to change this! As a District, we have a great wellness policy and we try to help students make healthy choices. We have added wellness prizes to our reach stores to promote healthy lifestyles. I encourage all of you to try and incorporate more fruits and vegetables in to your children’s diets and to help them with portion control. Please let me know if you have any questions or want more information!

*Here’s to teaching our children a lifetime of healthy habits!*

Erika Radcliff, RN, BSN
School Nurse
You’re Invited!!!!

Drug Trends in Colorado Springs: What you need to know to protect your teen!

Do you know what kids are getting into these days? Would you recognize drug paraphernalia or what the current drugs might look like if you saw it? Would you recognize it if your own child or teen was using or experimenting with drugs? Are you aware of the current drug trends in Colorado Springs?

Come join us as we talk about the challenges our youth are facing at school and in the community and how we can work together to support them and each other!

**Presented by:** David Pratt
D49 Safety & Security Specialist

**When:** Wednesday, February 21st, 2018
6pm - 8pm

**Where:** Creekside Excellence Lab
3850 Pony Tracks Drive
Colorado Springs, CO 80922

**RSVP:** to Regina Eslick, Community Engagement Advocate
Email: reslick@d49.org
Phone: 719-459-5451 (call or text ok)

**PLEASE RSVP BY FEBRUARY 14TH, 2018**

*****Dinner and Child Care Provided*****

Sponsored by the EARSS Grant

Dinner is hand-made by students at Patriot High School's Culinary Arts Program. Spaghetti w/Meatballs, Mixed Green Salad, Garlic Bread, & Chocolate Cherry Cordial Cake
**FIELD TRIP**

Sixth Grade and Jazz Choirs will be going on a **field trip to the Pikes Peak Center on Feb. 6th**. We will be participating with the Colorado Springs Philharmonic in the performance series: **“The Orchestra Swings!”**

This multi-media concert explores elements of swing within orchestral and jazz music. Through the Link Up repertoire, students explore melody, rhythm, and style through listening, composition, and performance, and play and sing alongside the Colorado Springs Philharmonic in a culminating, interactive concert experience.

**PIANO CLASS**

Students are already **“Rockin’ It” this semester**! All students have received their recital pieces for the Spring. Mark your calendar early for our **Spring Recital May 18th**.

The focus of this semester is Music Composition. Students will not only learn how to write simple music compositions but will also be required to play what they compose!

By special request, we’ve been invited to return to the Holiday Retirement Community Center to perform for the senior residents. Stay tuned for any updates....!

**Honor Choir**

The new year is starting off with a very rigorous schedule for our Eagle Honor Choir students. We have been invited to perform at the African-American Youth Leadership Conference at Colorado College March 10th.

We will also be performing a jazz concert with Skyview’s Jazz Band on March 14th.

These dates are rapidly approaching so please make sure that your student has the proper concert attire: Black Slacks and White Oxford shirt with button-down collar!

**6TH GRADE CHOIR**

Sixth Grade will have their graded Class Performance in the Choir Room on March 1st. Family and friends are invited. Please visit my website for more detailed information. Parents, it is imperative that your student have the right concert attire, please don’t wait until the day before to make sure student has the proper clothing!

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**Spring Picture Day**

**Thursday, February 15th**

Order forms will be sent home with students through their REACH classes. You may also order online with code: **CG317514Y0**

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**PRESIDENTS’ DAY**

Friday, February 16th

NO STUDENTS

(Parent/Teacher Conferences )

Monday, February 19th

Presidents’ Day

DISTRICT CLOSED
January 26, 2018

Dear Parents,

Beginning Fall of 2018, middle schools in five school districts (Harrison School District 2, Widefield School District 3, Fountain-Fort Carson School District 8, Cheyenne Mountain School District 12, and Falcon School District 49) will enter into a new athletic league. The twelve schools in these five districts will form the new South Metro School League.

Athletic Directors from each school district met this fall to discuss the new league, which will provide geographic alignment for student-athletes and programs. The league will increase opportunities for competitive play and balance across programs. In that spirit, it will help build genuine neighborhood rivalries. Competing against teams in the five districts is also more manageable for student-athletes and parents attending games that are closer to home, even when they are “away”. Most importantly, traveling in close geographic proximity to other schools also protects instructional time.

Finally, the Athletic Directors believe this change will increase and expand sports opportunities for students at the middle school level. In D49, we believe that entering into this new league is in line with the goal for athletic alignment from the middle school to the high school level. Having middle school students compete against students they may see again when attending high school, will help prepare them for the competition.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns regarding the new South Metro Middle School League.

Sincerely,

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Catherine Tinucci
Principal

Patty Gioscia
Asst. Principal

Meghan Sanders
Asst. Principal

Scott Bonygne
Asst. Principal
Archery Intramurals

**Date:** February 26th - March 8th

**Where:** Skyview Middle School Little Gym

**Time:** 7:00am-7:30am

Please pick up a form outside the gym if you’re interested or see Mr. Marino or Mr. Moore if you have any questions.

****MAXIMUM OF 36 PARTICIPANTS****
NJHS News

During the first semester, the National Junior Honor Society participated in many activities in our community and our school. Some of the highlights include sponsoring the Back-to-School dance, and the Haunted Maze & Games at STUCO's Halloween Dance, to help people have fun, earn volunteer hours, and raise money for school programs and charity. Towards the end of the semester, some of us did bell-ringing for the Salvation Army while singing Christmas Carols, and helped to raise a good amount of money.

This semester, we are looking forward to teaming up with Student Council again, to sponsor No One Eats Alone Day on February 9, 2018, and to also helping out at the Ronald McDonald House, to continue to give back to people who are less fortunate. We are excited to celebrate a fantastic year as we look forward to getting some new members in March. Preparing for these events takes time and effort, but we know if we all put our heads together, we can make things happen, and have fun too!

SKYVIEW YEARBOOKS ARE STILL ON SALE!!

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Skyview’s code is 6420518

Please DO NOT bring money to school, as that is no longer a way to purchase the yearbook. Thanks for your continued support of Skyview’s yearbook program!