Dear Skyview Parents and Community,

We have quickly found ourselves at the tail end of yet another year at Skyview. As we leave our 17th year of being open, it gives me pause to consider the many successes and blessings we enjoy as a public school in District 49. We have an amazing student body, full of enthusiasm and zest for life, and the crazy, whimsical characteristics of a middle level student. We have a dedicated and passionate staff, from itinerants, to building technicians, to teachers, to administrators. We are grateful for our community and the support given to us through both Mill Levy successes. Finally, we have supportive parents who want the best for their children.

The final 3 weeks of school are chock full of celebrations; academic awards, milestones of grade level advancement, retirements, and the coming of the summer. I would like to take a brief moment to honor three employees who have served our community well: Ms. Theresa Leasure will be retiring after a long, successful career as an art teacher. She will be riding her bicycle off into the sunset and enjoying time to travel and explore the true artist that she is. We will miss her tremendously! Ms. Lisa Timpson, who will also be retiring as a paraprofessional in our Severe Needs program. She has given years of dedication, patience and love our to high needs children and we so appreciate her care. We wish her well in the adventures to come! Finally, I would like to recognize Ms. Patty Gioscia for her outstanding service to our school as an Assistant Principal. Ms. Gioscia was honored at last month’s Falcon Education Foundation as an outstanding educator – well deserved!

As May comes to an end so does the middle school journey for our 8th grade students. It is time to celebrate them and their accomplishments over the their time here at Skyview. Skyview does not hold a single ceremony for our 8th grade students; we instead have a tradition of having multiple celebrations over the last couple weeks of school. This allows us to celebrate our students in a variety of ways where each student has an opportunity to be involved. Here is what we have planned for your 8th grade students:

- **8th Grade Formal Dance**
  - Friday, May 12
  - 6:00-9:00 pm in the school small gym
  - Tickets on sale at lunch for $10
  - Food, drinks, and fun provided

- **Elitch Garden's Field Trip**
  - Monday, May 22

- **8th Grade Awards Night**
  - Wednesday, May 24
  - 6:00 pm
  - Invitation only - for students receiving awards

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This summer we will be offering a Summer Learning Institute that will focus on reading and many enrichment classes. Courses will be offered for one or two week sessions and last anywhere from two to four hours a day. We are hoping that by offering a variety of topics, students will be interested in learning new skills and mastering others. This summer, we are not offering the traditional make up classes for students that failed a core class during the school year as we found that they time spent in the summer class was not enough to master the key concept that they needed for the following year. Please refer to the school website and the team newsletters for a detailed list of classes being offered. Registration will start on May 2, 2017. Classes range from a $ 70 -$140 depending on the length of the class or time in the class. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at pgioscia@d49.org or (719) 495-5576.

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We look forward to celebrating your children as they move on to the next stage in their educational journey. Thank you for the opportunity to educate and be a part of the development of your child. If you have any questions, please contact the 8th grade assistant principal, Meghan Sanders at msanders@d49.org.

As I close out this message for May, I want to remind parents of the very real presence of tumultuous weather in Colorado at this time of year. We have a new policy in effect if there is active lightning or hail at the time of dismissal. You will be getting an emergency text from school by 2:45pm informing you of a delay as we keep students inside under cover, while we wait for the dangerous weather to pass. Please be patient as this is a large task to communicate to all of our parents and our primary motivation is the safety of our students. Students will be released to their cars when it has been deemed safe by two administrators and a security official. If it is raining with no lightning or hail present, students will be dismissed as usual.

May you and your family enjoy a restful and adventure-filled summer vacation. Don’t forget to keep them reading during the summer!

Respectfully,
Cathy Tinucci
May 1  Spirit Week
May 2  Incoming 6th Grade Parent Night (6:00 PM)
May 3  Softball @ Falcon (3:30 PM)
May 4  Track @ Falcon (3:30)
May 5  NO STUDENTS—Professional Development
      Skate City (6:00 PM)
May 9  Softball vs. Fremont @ Skyview (3:30 PM)
      PTSA Meeting (4:30 PM)
      Night of the Stars—6/7th Academic Awards
          (by invitation—6:00 PM)
May 10 Softball Tournament (TBA)
       Freddy’s Night (3:00—10:00 PM)
       Night of the Notables—SOAR Awards (by invitation—6:00 PM)
May 11 8th Grade Band Concert (6:00 PM)
May 12 8th Grade Formal Dance (Time TBA)
May 13 Track @ FFCHS (TBA)
May 16 Honor Choir Spring Concert (6:00 PM)
May 17 All-School Day Spring Concerts during Enrichments
       6/7th Grade Band Concert (6:00 PM)
May 18 SAC Meeting (5:30 PM)
May 19 Piano Recital (6:00 PM)
May 22 8th Grade Elitches Trip (8:00 AM)
May 24 8th Grade Academic Awards (by invitation—6:00 PM)
May 26 Last day for students (Full day)
May 29 Memorial Day—DISTRICT CLOSED
May 30-31 Teacher Workdays
June 1—13 Summer Office Hours are 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM
On May 22nd, the 8th grade students will be taking their yearly end of the year trip to Elitch Gardens in Denver. We will be leaving at 8:00 AM and will return around 5:00 PM that afternoon. Students may not bring food, sack lunches or coolers into the park. Elitch Gardens will not “store” or “hold” food, sack lunches or coolers in or at the park. Students may bring a backpack or purse, but it will be searched upon entry into the park. Water bottles are allowed. They are also welcome to bring cash for fast passes, games, etc. Please make sure to watch the weather forecast and dress appropriately for predicted temperatures. **School dress code does apply.** Items to think about bringing include sunscreen, sunglasses, and layered clothing. Please contact Ms. Streib with any questions at 495-1149 ext. 4221 or dstreib@d49.org.

"The Storm" is Coming!

Have you reserved your copy?

Online ordering for the 2016-2017 yearbook is now closed for the school year! You can still reserve a copy though! We ordered 200 extra copies of this year’s yearbook. Reserve your copy by paying in the office! Order forms will go out during REACH.
SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

May 30–June 13
July 17–July 31
8:00 - 3:00 PM

CONGRATS TO OUR HONOR CHOIR!

At our CHSAA Large Ensemble Competition Tuesday our choirs did a fabulous job and you would have been proud of them.

Ladies BelCanto Choir and Eagle Honor Choir received a "2" (Excellent overall rating) and the Men's Ensemble received a "3" (Good rating and "2" in sight reading).

Dr. Jarmon also nominated several students to audition for a spot in the National Youth Choir. This choir performs once a year at Carnegie Hall. Students from all 50 states, Canadian Provinces, US territories and some international countries seek for a spot in this choir of 350 students. Five of our students were selected!

- Hannah Cash - 7th grade
- Markell Betsyada - 7th grade
- Junior Brown - 8th grade
- Carson Bourne - 7th grade
- Kya Boyd - 7th grade

Moving over the summer?

Please notify Skyview as soon as possible if you will be moving over the summer, whether it’s simply an address change or withdrawing your student to attend a different school. This ensures the proper paperwork is completed and the student’s information is updated in Infinite Campus. Thank you!
No Lunch Loans starting May 1st

Per District 49 policy, students will not be permitted to borrow lunch money at Skyview for the remainder of the year. Please make sure your student has lunch money or brings a sack lunch each day. Thank you!

The end of the school year is almost here! With that said, I want to remind parents and students that all books are due back to the library by May 4th. Any lost books will be marked on the student’s district record and will need to be paid for prior to next book check out.

Thanks!
Mrs. Johnsen

Lost & Found

If your student has lost a clothing item or lunch bag, please have them check the lost & found bins before the end of the school year, as these items will be donated to charity this summer. Smaller items, like eyeglasses, keys or jewelry, are in the office at Ms. Tammy’s desk.
Cyber Boot Camp

Preparing Students for the Future

The SEMtech Cyber Boot Camp inspires students in grades 4 through 8 to pursue careers in cyber security, science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM), disciplines critical to our nation’s future. SEMtech Cyber Boot Camp is designed to teach students about cyber ethics, online safety, and the fundamental principles of cyber security. Students will have a hands-on experience working with basic electricity circuit, troubleshooting real operating systems, and fixing vulnerabilities in a computer lab environment.

June 5–9, 8am—12pm
Cost: $25, (For Food & T-Shirts)
Falcon High School

Thomas Russell  719-213-4610
Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child Team (Health Team)
Success Stories

Hydration Station:

Check out the new hydration system installed in the commons area! Great for hydrating students and staff at SMS! The Elkay Hydration System was purchased through a Medicaid grant written by the Health Team at Skyview.

Cooking Club:

Over the past two school years, Skyview has successfully implemented a Cooking Club led by students who participate in Fuel Up to Play60. The Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child Team supported the cooking club by applying for and receiving a Medicaid Grant of $500. The monies received gave students the opportunity to learn about healthy eating and cook healthy meals. Up to thirty students have participated in the sessions that take place once a month.

Health Class:

Skyview successfully implemented a Health curriculum from The Great Body Shop to all 7th graders this school year. The content in Health class was age appropriate for all 7th graders, touching on topics such as: nutrition, disease/illness prevention, substance abuse, and social/emotional health. The Health Team purchased visual aides to support the class through a Healthy School’s Grant.
Character Corner

As the summer break approaches, your teen will most likely spend more time online. This increases the possibility that your teen may experience cyberbullying. Statistics show that 95% of teens participate in activities online, and 43% of teens say they have been bullied through cyberspace. Parents and guardians need to have a plan of action to protect their children from experiencing cyberbullying.

Cyberbullying is different from “traditional bullying”, because it can be anonymous. Sometimes, the victim doesn’t know the bully. The bullying can go viral quickly as instant messages, posts, and screen shots can be shared rapidly. Bullying in front of your computer or phone screen is much easier to do, because the bully can hide behind his or her screen. In person, teens tend to be more reserved, but behind a screen, teens lose much of their “social filter” that dictates what should be said and not said.

As parents, we don’t want to shelter our teens from the world around them; we want to educate and empower them. PACER’s National Bully Prevention Center suggests that parents take three important steps against cyberbullying.

Have the “cyberbullying” talk. Make sure your child knows that if someone says something online that is very hurtful, that counts as bullying. Assure them they can come talk to you and keep them from being afraid to talk about it.

Set cyber safety rules. First, never say anything online that you wouldn’t say or do in person. Second, don’t share ANY personal information online. (This includes passwords, address, phone numbers, personal problems, etc.) A bully can use this against you!

Know what your teens are doing online! As your child continues through the teen years, privacy will be very important to them. Assure them that safety MUST come first above their online privacy.

If your teen is the victim of cyberbullying, you need to take action. Save the URL location, document by printing or taking a screen shot, and contact appropriate authorities. If your teen becomes aware of someone being cyberbullied, remind him or her that they can choose not to respond to the comment on social media. They can also choose not to become part of the problem by “sharing” or “liking” a photo or post. By liking or sharing continues to further the cyberbullying. Tell them to stop and think, report the incident, then support the victim. One day, they may become the target of a cyberbully.

During the school year, you can contact the school with documentation of the cyberbullying incident. Year-round, you can always contact Safe2Tell! (safetotell.org) Safe2Tell is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. They will make sure your report of cyberbullying gets to the proper authorities. At Safe2Tell, your report can be 100% anonymous.

For more information about cyberbullying or to prepare for a “Cyberbullying Talk” in your home, visit the websites below:

http://www.stopcyberbullying.org
http://www.ncpc.org/topics/cyberbullying
http://www.pacerteensagainstbullying.org/tab/experiencing-bullying/cyber-bullying/
Severe Weather Procedures For Skyview (After Hours)
(Hail, Lightning, or Tornado)

Skyview Middle School is working to improve communication, especially when it comes to student safety. Currently, we are working on a procedure to provide student safety in the event of severe weather during school release. Using various means of weather alerts/data (Weather Channel/Weather Bug/lightning meters/etc), Severe Weather Procedures for Skyview may be implemented prior to and during school dismissal.

Steps:

1) The admin. team makes the decision to “call” for severe weather procedure by 2:40PM, if possible.

2) Office staff will send parent notification via Auto Dialer

   “Due to the severe weather (Lightning/Hail/Tornado), Skyview Middle School may be using our “Severe Weather Dismissal Procedure,” causing students to be located in a safe area until further notice. We anticipate a 10-15 minute delay for student dismissal. Please remain in your cars and DO NOT park them unattended on the street. Your student will be out of the school as soon as we can determine it is safe to go outside.”

3) Teachers will make an announcement in their classes specifying where students should go, based on their needs to get home. We have designated areas for bus students, car riders, and students that walk home.

4) School is dismissed with severe weather exit in process:

   **Bus Students:**
   Report to the small gym, have a seat on the floor, and wait until released to load bus

   **Students who walk home:**
   Report to the cafeteria, have a seat near the front of the cafeteria. When the Decision Team lifts the “severe weather” students will be let out the door in the cafeteria closest to the kitchen.

   **Students who are picked-up:**
   Report to the cafeteria, have a seat near the back of the cafeteria. When the Decision Team lifts the “severe weather” students will be let out the door farthest back.
Skate for $1.00 per session All Summer!

Buy a SkateCity Summer Membership Card for $3.00 (School keeps $1.00)

Skate All Summer for only $1.00 per session!

Regular admission $5.50  Extra session $2.00

- CARDS also valid Saturdays & Sundays thru September
- SUMMER CARDS purchased with your school - $3/each
- SUMMER CARDS purchased at Skate City - $10/each
- BUY a CARD for everyone in the family!
- Schools that sell over 200 cards will make $2.00 for every card sold!

Summer Membership Card
SKATING SCHEDULE
Good sessions listed below:
May 24 through August 15, 2017
SUNDAY  12-2, 2-4, 4-6, 6-8 PM
MONDAY  12-2, 2-4, 4-6 PM
TUESDAY  12-2, 2-4, 4-6, 6-8 PM
WEDNESDAY  12-2, 2-4, 4-6 PM
THURSDAY  12-2, 2-4, 4-6 PM
FRIDAY  12-2, 2-4, 4-6, 6-8 PM
SATURDAY  10-12, 12-2, 2-4, 4-6, 6-8 PM

Regular skate rental $2.50
Excludes Memorial Day and Independence Day

THESE $3.00 SUMMER SKATING NON-TRANSFERABLE MEMBERSHIP CARDS WILL BE SOLD AS A FUND RAISING PROJECT BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH:

Skyview Middle School

Cards are available for purchase during the month of May until the last day of school. Cards will be sold all day, in the office.

SUMMER FUN for EVERYONE at........

SkateCity

Austin Bluffs
4575 Austin Bluffs Pkwy.
719-591-1016
www.skatecitycolorado.com
MAY 2017

MUSIC TIME

Skyview Choir Newsletter

Choir Concerts......

Honor Choir & Friends
Spring Concert
May 16th @ 6:00 pm in the Cafe

All-School Choir
Spring Concert
May 17th in School Gym
8:00 am  10:10 am  12:50 pm
8th grade  7th grade  6th grade

As we bring the end of the school year to a close, I must reflect on fun times, sad times and challenges we have faced together! Our students are so resilient and determined. They don’t realize the impact they make on us educators with these attitudes and characteristic traits. I have been blessed to have such awesome students!

I’m going to miss my 8th graders and look forward to a new year with familiar and fresh faces! Be safe and have a blessed summer!

Dr. Jarmon

Please email me at: hjarmoa@d49.org

Need more information?
Visit my website: www.smschoirnews.wikispaces.com

I’m also available by phone:
(719) 495-1149 ext. 4260

The Mikado” is coming! Opera Theatre of the Rockies will be performing an interactive workshop for our 7th grade theatre, choir and piano students on May 3rd. Unfortunately, tickets for the actual performance has been sold out but you can watch the performance on my website for free!

Save the Date!

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY 6, 2017
Regional Choral Competition @ Ralston Valley HS, Elitches Gardens

MAY 11, 2017
National Anthem – Math Day @ SkySox Stadium

May 19, 2017
Spring Piano Recital @ 6:00 pm in the Cafe
6th Grade on the Go!!!!!!

The 6th grade has been studying the history of the Chinese (Peking) opera and its relation to the musical eras of Western Europe. We watched the full performance of “The Mikado” and discussed the topsy-turvy world of Gilbert and Sullivan! For our quarterly project, the students will be creating facemasks in the style of Peking opera!

Part of the project along with the creation of the mask, students will be writing a short story that features their masked characters!

Piano students are working hard to fine tune their recital pieces! The Spring Piano Recital will combine both 7th and 8th grade students. You will be amazed at the progress these students have made. Please plan to attend and I would ask if all parents would bring a plate of cookies to share. There are students with nut allergies so please be considerate when bringing your desserts!

I would also encourage your 8th grade students to continue their piano studies with a private teacher. Get them involved in performing whenever the opportunity arises, be it at your local church or community event!

They are ready to bring it!!

Have a great Summer!
RE: Sports Physical Promotional Price Starting May 1, 2017

Dear Athletic Director and Coaches:

Starting May 1, The Little Clinic is offering a special promotional price on sports physicals for only $33. This special price will expire 8/31/17 and is available for ages 20 and under. We are also offering each patient 50 fuel points per visit excluding Federal and State healthcare beneficiaries. Have your sport stars come in today and receive their sports physical.

At The Little Clinic inside select King Soopers stores, we offer a very convenient and affordable option for sports physicals in your community. By choosing us, you receive:

**Convenience** - We are open 7 days a week with extended hours on a walk-in basis. You can now hold your spot in line by checking in online prior to your visit. Check in online at [www.thelittleclinic.com](http://www.thelittleclinic.com).

**Quality** - Our clinics are staffed with licensed and Board-Certified Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants.

**Affordability** - Starting May 1, we are offering sports physicals for only $33!

**Accessibility** - Convenient locations throughout the Denver area inside select King Soopers stores.

At a time when parents are so busy with so many things in their lives, getting a sport physical done for their child can be a time consuming task. But at The Little Clinic inside King Soopers, parents can now come on their schedule, without an appointment and with little or no waiting!

We have included additional information about sports physicals and benefits of The Little Clinic. Feel free to share this information with your booster clubs and/or PTO contacts. Please don’t hesitate to give us a call with any questions or check us out at [www.thelittleclinic.com](http://www.thelittleclinic.com). Best of luck to you and your team!

Sincerely,

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