Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we approach the final stretch of the school year, I want to take an opportunity to thank our many parents for your support for our school and student body. We have a lot of activities planned for the close of the school year. I want to remind you to keep a watchful eye on our school web page and Facebook page. We also will post information on our school marquee and send pertinent emails as frequently as we can. Please be on the lookout for end of school activities, project deadlines, Zone information and dates for the 2012-13 school year.

If your student is a bus rider, please be aware that the district transportation department has implemented a new policy on lost bus passes. Students who have lost or forgotten their bus passes, may obtain a temporary replacement that is good for only 3 days. At the end of 3 days, students must either have found their lost pass or purchase a new pass. Passes may be purchased from the Skyview front office for $20. Temporary passes may also be obtained at the front office and will be checked by staff as students load the bus.

April is the month in which we will be presenting our Innovation Plan for staff and community evaluation. The POWER Zone will be presenting our Plan to our parents at two SAC meetings on April 24\textsuperscript{th} and April 26\textsuperscript{th} at 6:00pm in the Skyview Library. All parents are encouraged to attend one of these meetings to vote for the plan. All zone schools will have SAC meetings on the same dates and at the same time. Please read about the plan attached to this newsletter. Staff will have an opportunity to vote on the plan on April 25\textsuperscript{th}. At this time, we will be applying for Innovation status both as a school and as a zone. The focus of our plan right now is based on zone control of our calendar. In the future, we will be adding Staff Evaluation to our Plan when it has been completely designed and vetted.

Finally, I would like to ask for your continued support in helping your child maintain focus for the remainder of the year. Please support them in completing their homework, large projects and preparing for their final exams. With the warm weather, students are tempted to push the dress code. Please watch for shorts that are too short, tank tops that are inappropriate for school and bare midriffs. It is also important that students are on time to school. As always, if you have questions or concerns, please contact our front office.

Respectfully,
Cathy Tinucci, Principal
Events

4/17  Track @ Falcon
4/18  Coordinated School Health Meeting—7:00 AM
4/20  DISTRICT CLOSED - NO STUDENTS
4/23  Track @ Cheyenne Mtn.
4/24  SAC Meeting—6:00 PM
4/26  SAC Meeting—6:00 PM
      Honor Choir Concert—6:30 PM
4/30  Chick-Fil-A Fundraiser
5/3   Track @ Elizabeth
      Math Meet
      5th Grade Open House (6:00 PM)
5/4   Spring Play—7:00 PM
5/5   Spring Play—2:00 PM & 7:00 PM
Parents and Guardians,

Below are links to find the 2012-13 POWER ZONE and Skyview Middle School Innovation Plans. The plans are made up from the POWER ZONE Calendar Proposal. Please review the plans. On April 24 and 26 at 6:00 pm, all POWER ZONE schools will be holding special SAC (School Accountability Committee) meetings to go over and vote on the POWER ZONE Innovation Plan (including the 2012-13 Calendar Proposal) and individual school Innovation Plans. We encourage everyone to attend one of these meetings and participate in the innovation process. Thank you for your support!

POWER Zone Organizational Chart
POWER Zone Innovation Application
Skyview Middle School Innovation Application
POWER Zone Calendar Expense
Unified Improvement Plan for SMS 2011-2012
What: 5th Grade Orientation at Skyview Middle School

Who: 5th Grade Students Attending Skyview Middle School

When: Thursday, May 3rd @ 6:00 PM

Skyview Middle School Welcomes You!

Learn about SMS

Tour of Building

Meet 6th Grade Core and Enrichment Teachers, Counselors and Administration

Instrumental Showing for Band Students

Jazz Band Presentation
Intramural Information

Basketball Intramurals
April 10th – April 26th
7:00 a.m. – 7:30 a.m.
Cost: $5

Indoor Soccer Intramurals
May 1st - May 17th
7:00 a.m. – 7:30 a.m.
Cost: $5

Sign up sheets are outside the gym doors!

Julian Prater, a sixth grade student at Skyview Middle School, attended the Regional Colorado Science Fair competition. Here is a little information from Julian about his incredible project:

There’s a great scene in the movie Back to the Future 2. Marty Mcfly is being chased by a bunch of hooligans. To help him escape the hooligan’s wrath, he borrows a scooter from a little girl and it was a hoverboard! The hoverboard looks like a scooter/skateboard with some type of magnetic propulsion system. I love riding my scooter but it has limitations on different terrains- speed and balance are highly affected. But this hoverboard can ride anywhere but it can’t ride on water without a propulsion system. One day I was reading about hovercrafts and I saw the benefits of having a vehicle that had minimum limitation on different terrains including water. Then it hit me why don’t I make a scooter/skateboard based on hovercraft technology! My very own hover board!!

Julian’s intriguing curiosity motivated him to explore, discover, and create a hoverboard. At the Regional Colorado Regional Science Fair he presented his invention in the Physical Science Division and placed 5th overall.

Congratulations!!
BLACK HISTORY – THE CELEBRATION CONTINUES...

In the decades immediately following World War I, huge numbers of Black Americans migrated to the industrial North from the South. These cities included Chicago, Washington, DC, and New York City. They held new opportunities, both economic and artistic. Black Americans were encouraged to celebrate their heritage. The legacy of the Harlem Renaissance opened doors and deeply influenced the generations of African American writers, artists, and musicians. The poet of the month will be Langston Hughes.

Fulfillment – Helene Johnson

To climb a hill that hungers for the sky,
To dig my hands wrist deep in pregnant earth,
To watch a young bird, veering, learn to fly,
To give a still, stark poem shining birth.

The Dream Keeper – Langston Hughes

Bring me all of your dreams,
You dreamer,
Bring me all your Heart melodies
That I may wrap them In a blue cloud-cloth
Away from the too-rough fingers Of the world.

FESTIVAL: CHSAA Large Group Festival for Middle Schools

DATE: April 9, 2012 at Mitchell High School

PLEASE VISIT MY NEW WEBSITE FOR ALL INFORMATION AND UPDATES:

http://smschoirnews.wikispaces.com

The Music – Poetry Connection

Music and poetry are normally not mentioned in the same sentence, with the exception of hip hop. The similarities between music and poetry are far greater than observed by the general public and media. Some of the similarities are: rhythm, expression and emotion.

Although they are the only type directly related to melody, lyrical poetry is definitely not the only poetic form which can be made to song. A good example of this is rap. Rap is made up of rhythm, rhyme, sometimes alliteration and many other poetic attributes. It is the most likened to poetry, yet is still music. The difference between the two is so small that all poetry needs is either a vocalist or instruments.

All poetry, like music has form and meter or rhythm. Most middle school students aren’t exposed to the structure and form of poetry in Language Arts classes; however, they are introduced to musical and poetic form in elementary school.

HONOR CHOIR SPRING CONCERT

APRIL 26, 2012
TIME: 6:30 PM
LOCATION: CAFETERIA
Attention 8\textsuperscript{th} graders!

The 8\textsuperscript{th} grade semiformal dance will be held on Friday, May 11\textsuperscript{th} from 6:00-9:00 pm. The cost is $3 per person, and tickets will be sold at lunch the week of the dance. All attendees must be 8\textsuperscript{th} graders from Skyview Middle School. Spaghetti straps are allowed. Please keep bust and length school-appropriate!

We hope to see you there!

\textbf{Special note to 8th Grade Parents}

If you have an 8th grader and would like their cumulative records from \textit{elementary school}, please come into the office to pick those up. The only records transferred to the high school are the students’ middle school files. Please see Mrs. Miller before the end of the year.

Thank you!

\textbf{Yearbooks are still available – Buy yours today!}

\textbf{Only $35!}

Pay by cash or check in the Skyview office, or order with a credit card online at www.ybpay.com
In the Spotlight

Look there! Up in the sky! It’s a bird, it’s a plane, it’s a…vacuum cleaner?!?!? That’s just ONE of the unusual sights you’ll witness in the wacky world of

The Wicked Witch Project,

where
you may
ask yourself,
“Which of these
witches
is really a witch?”
Especially once you
find out that even
though this community
of witches comes complete
with broomsticks,
a cauldron, and spells…
the broomsticks don’t always fly
where they are supposed to,
the cauldron actually contains
ingredients like arugula and soy,
and the spells that are cast—
while slightly annoying—are also fairly harmless
…and never correct, so what’s the fuss? The nearby townspeople have tried
to reside peacefully next to the witches’ forest, but they have had just about enough
of the witches’ antics; crash-landings, horrible smells (from the health-food recipes brewing in the
cauldron!) and things just going haywire in general. Not to mention the cackling! Eh-hee, hee, hee, heh, heh!!! Oh…sorry. Add to the mix the arrival of a new witch, over whom the town’s gentlemen are gaga,
much to their wives’ and girlfriends’ dismay (they don’t see new people much) a couple of government
agents from a top secret branch that even they’re not quite sure of the name of (they don’t get told much),
and a group of clueless witches’ interns who have just discovered branches—on the trees in the forest, that
is (they don’t get out much), and things get even wackier! But don’t worry, all of the answers to the
bewitching questions that arise get “spelled” out quite nicely by the end of this enchanting tale.

SHOW DATES & TIMES:
Friday May 4 at 7:00 PM
(doors open at 6:30)
&
Saturday May 5 at 2:00 PM and 7:00 PM
(doors open at 1:30 & 6:30)

TICKETS:
$2.00 Students & Senior Citizens
$3.00 all others
(babies & small children are
admitted free if not using
a paid seat)

Tickets will be available for purchase about two weeks prior to the show; contact Ms. Brundage (see below),
talk to the cast and crew, or check at the front office. Payment may also be made at the door
during show dates—a ticket or payment is necessary to gain entry to each showing.

kbrundage@d49.org

495-1149 x4265
Dear Families of Falcon District 49,

The Nutrition Department is regulated by the federal government through the National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs. Part of that regulation is the directive to operate as a self-funded enterprise fund (Not-For-Profit Business) within the school district. This means that Nutrition Services does not receive any financial support from local tax-payers to operate the meal programs.

To ensure that we end the school year with all the student’s meal accounts current and not requiring funds from the District’s general fund to pay off unpaid meal charges, we enact a “No Charging” policy. This year the No Charging policy will go into effect May 1st.

If you have questions on this policy, please feel free to contact me at md-h@d49.org or 495-1106.

Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to share in your child’s life by serving them a nutritious meal.

Best Regards,
Monica Deines-Henderson, SNS
Nutrition Services Director
Congratulations to the following students that were treated to a limo lunch ride to Golden Corral for being a top seller in the cookie dough fundraiser!

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We’d like to give a **BIG WELCOME** to our new inductees, and let them know that the first regular NJHS meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 12, from about 3:00-4:00 in the Drama Room. See everyone there!

This month, we will continue to collect money for Pennies for Patients, and will also kick off “Paper Pennies”, a new way for everyone to donate to the fundraiser. We will be selling them for a dollar (or more) at each lunch, but people can also buy them at the office, and put their favorite student’s name and grade in the blank (so they get credit for their grade level competition). If any of the grade levels raise $100.00, or more, through the sale of the Paper Pennies, two of the staff members have agreed to let themselves be taped to a wall! Please join us in doing something silly for a good cause... let’s beat cancer!

On the third Thursday of the month, April 19, we will be baking cookies for the Ronald McDonald House. Be sure to sign up at the meeting on the 12th if you are a new member – space will be limited. And “old” members, we didn’t forget about you – remember to be here on April 19 as well, to help finish up the TESSA Project and supervise the cookie-baking as needed. (This meeting will last until 5:00 or so.)

Don’t forget, the annual Great Strides Walk for Cystic Fibrosis is coming up in May; get signed up to be on the Skyview NJHS Soaring Eagles Team so you can start collecting contributions for this worthy cause, and walk with us. Find out more at the NJHS meetings, or see Ms. B for details.

Contributed by
Alex Stallings
Summer Theatre Camps
Details and registration available online

Ages 4-6: Musical Theatre
Ages 6-9: Acting
Musical Theatre
Ages 9-12: Acting
Musical Theatre
Stage Make-Up & Stage Combat (Ages 12-19)
Ages 13-19: Acting
Musical Theatre
Stage Make-Up & Stage Combat
Advanced Acting Scene Study
Advanced Musical Theatre Scene Study

Seussical Jr.
May 3-5, 2012
Tickets: $10

Come join us in May for our Main Stage Production of Seussical Jr! This fun-filled musical incorporates many of the beloved Dr. Seuss characters, including Horton, Mayzie, Gertrude, The Whos, The Sour Kangaroo, and the mischievous Wickersham brothers!

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