



Skyview Eagles

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Skyview Community

Here we are in May with just a few weeks of school left. How the time has flown by! It is a perfect opportunity for me to reflect on our work this year and to give proper thanks to those many individuals that made this year so possible. I have been extremely pleased with my first year as a principal and have grown a tremendous amount as a leader and facilitator of the many programs, staff and students here at Skyview. I am blessed for this opportunity to lead and I look forward to the next year of Innovation and Exciting Technology.

I would like to take an opportunity to thank our community for your involvement and support of our school. For the countless hours you have given to watching your child play sports, attending committee meetings, volunteering for field trips, supporting our plays, concerts and competitions, and much, much more. We cannot do this job without your support and we are grateful for the time and energy you give to us. Additionally, I would like to thank our staff for their tireless dedication to our building. This year has seen the reality of deep staff cuts that has left us with less planning time, less collaboration time, more students and more sections to teach. All of our staff members have stepped up and accepted the challenge of making it work, regardless of the circumstances. I am proud of the service we provide and the lives we touch on a daily basis. Finally, I would like to thank our students – You are why we do this job! I have grown in my appreciation of your youth, your passions and your energy. We wish you well today and in the future!

This next year can anticipate the implementation of new Apple Technology, a pilot program facilitating a one to one tablet match for students and a new way of learning/teaching for teachers. We will be seeking further refinement of our STEM focus as we integrate technology across the board in all classrooms. We will be at full capacity again this next year and have been closed to choice in several grade levels. We will be in full swing of exchanging the new Colorado State Standards while we, as a zone, work through the next phase of innovation; staff evaluation.

As we close this first year and look forward to the next, I want to remind all parents and guardians to keep an eye on the summer dates for schedule pick up. The beginning of school comes early in Falcon and we want you to be prepared for schedule pick-up on July 23rd and 24th. Our office will be open this spring until June 8th from 8:00am to 2:30pm. We will open again on July 16th with similar hours. For the short summer, remember to be safe, keep reading (for pleasure, of course) and enjoy family and friends. We look forward to welcoming 6th grade students on Aug. 2nd and the remainder of the 7th and 8th grades on August 3rd. Enjoy your summer!

Respectfully,

Cathy Tinucci, Principal
Skyview Middle School



Events

- 5/12 League Track Meet @ Fountain HS
- 5/16 Choir Concert - 6:30 PM
- 5/17 Band Concert - 6:00 PM
- 5/18 8th Grade to Elitches
- 5/21 Chick-Fil-A
- 5/25 Last day for students! **(FULL DAY)**
- 5/28 **Memorial Day - DISTRICT CLOSED**

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

5/29 - 6/8: 8:00 - 2:30 PM

6/11 - 7/13: Closed

7/16 - 8/1: 8:00 - 3:00 PM



Counseling News

Bullying/Being Bullied

Most people have some unique feature that marks them as “different”. For some people, the distinguishing feature might be those shiny new braces. For some, the factor may not be so visible, such as practicing a different religion than most of the neighbors. Whatever the difference is, it may make them a target for bullies. And whether your child is the bully or the victim, that means trouble. Bullies and the bullying can come in different forms. Some bullies may be loud and outward about their behavior. Other bullies are more subversive and choose to bully through such quiet behavior as spreading lies. A victim may be targeted by a single bully or by an entire group. Young people who are bullied go through true mental anguish that can disrupt their social and emotional development and affect their school performance. Some find the pain so unbearable, they attempt suicide. What can you do to help your child in this situation? What can you do if your child is on the opposite end and he or she is the one doing the bullying? The developmental assets are positive qualities, experiences, and skills that children need to grow up healthy and responsible. Parents, grandparents, stepparents, and any other guardian of a child can use these assets as a framework to help them think through the new experiences they’re encountering with their children.

Action Tips

- *Make sure your child knows that he or she can come to you about anything at anytime.
- *Report the situation to the school immediately.
- *Teach your child resistance skills such as avoiding or ignoring the bully, using humor, walking confidently, and speaking assertively.
- *If your child is bullying others, seek help from a teacher, principal, or doctor right away.
- *Promote a policy of telling the truth in your family.
- *Establish an atmosphere of mutual caring and trust in your home.
- *have a young person who has bullied someone take responsibility for her or his actions.
- *If your child is a bully’s target, assure your child that the bullying is not her or his fault, and do other things to boost her or his self-esteem.
- *Keep the lines of communication open with the staff and faculty of your adolescent’s school. Notify them if you have concerns about young people’s safety.

Congratulations to our 7th grade boys Track and Field team! They took first place at the Tri-County League Championships this past Saturday at Fountain Fort-Carson High School! It is the first time in Skyview history that our 7th grade boys are Tri-County League Champions! A big shout out to Ryan Giles, who won the 110 meter hurdles, and Joel Walker, who won the 800 and also the mile with a time of 5:15. Also, the 4X400 meter relay team (Joel Walker, Tristan Brown, Isaiah Lapioli, and Gerald Rushing) broke a 20 year old league record with a time of 4:08!!! Very impressive, and probably won't be touched for a long time!



Not to mention, all the other Track and Field athletes had a great season, and strong showing at league as well on Saturday.

**YEARBOOKS ARE STILL AVAILABLE -
BUY YOURS TODAY!**

ONLY \$35!

PAY BY CASH OR CHECK IN THE SKYVIEW OFFICE



Dr. Jarmon, Choir Director, would like to announce that ALL of her honor choir students received a "2" (Excellent Rating) at Large Ensemble Contest!!! The highest score a group can receive is "1". The young men's ensemble was one point away from a perfect score!

Band Concert

6th, 7th, 8th Grade Concert Band Concert
Thursday, May 17th
SMS GYMNASIUM - 6:00 PM

Incoming 6th Graders – there will be another Instrument Showing night, so please stay “tuned” and check out the Skyview Middle School Band Website in the meantime - <http://smseagleband.wikispaces.com/>

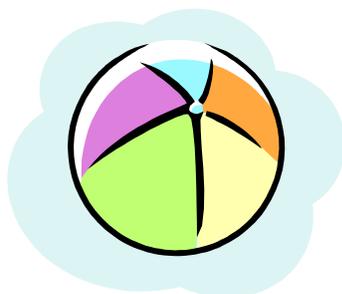
Moving over the summer?

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!

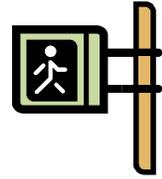


Sending Thanks!

Thank you, parents & PTSA volunteers, for providing a wonderful BBQ lunch for all teachers and staff for Teacher Appreciation. It was delicious!



Traffic/Safety



Please remind students to be aware of all traffic and safety laws when walking to and from school. We need to treat our neighbors with respect and stay off lawns, gardens and fences. Please only walk on the sidewalks and cross the street at locations marked with crosswalks or those with a crossing guard. Please understand that jay-walking is against the law and causes a dangerous situation not only for yourself but for drivers and others traveling on the streets. We want them to be safe when traveling to and from school.

Thank you for helping them know and obey the traffic laws!



Breakfast is served!

Beginning with the 2012-2013 school year, Skyview Middle School will offer a breakfast program for all students. The Power Zone will be the first of all three innovation zones to have a breakfast program in every school. Breakfast is a very important meal, and we want to make sure all students will have the opportunity to eat a nutritious meal to start off their day. Research has proven students who eat breakfast have longer attention spans, increase academic success and positive behavior.

The breakfast program at Skyview will be federally regulated under the U.S. Department of Agriculture with set nutritional standards. The current price is \$1.25 for schools in Falcon School District 49 who have a breakfast program. All students who qualify for free and reduced lunch will have the opportunity to receive free breakfast. Breakfast will be served everyday starting at 7:00 a.m. and ending at 7:25a.m.

We request that you please take a brief survey that will allow Nutritional Services to determine how much support a breakfast program would get. Please click on the link below to participate in this survey.

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/5YTJNFX>

Thank you for your participation,
Tony Marino and Corinne Shepherd (Co-Leaders)
Coordinated School Health Team

Library Books



The end of the year is almost here and we will be closing the library May 11th for inventory. All books are due back in the library, Wednesday-May 9th.

Please remind students to return all books! Have them check their lockers, backpacks, closets, under beds, etc. Any books that they can't find—please send the students in to see me. They will need to pay for the books they've lost; all fines follow the students every year; so it's better for them to take care of it now!

A BIG Thank You for all your help—this keeps our library resources from shrinking!!

Carolyn Wigglesworth
Library
495-5575



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.



SUMMER MEMBERSHIP CARDS
Skate for \$1.00 per session all summer!

The cost is only \$3.00 per card. Valid from May 29th through August 19th. Skate rental is \$1.00. Buy a card for everyone in the family! If we sell at least 200 cards, Skyview will make \$2.00 for every card sold. Please make checks payable to Skate City.

For sale in the office now! Please see Ms. Tammy.

SKYVIEW HAS TALENT!

Congratulations to the following students who represented Skyview in the District 49 Art Show:

Kimberly P.
Seung Kim
Devon Wheelis
Colton H.*
Estefano R.*
Morganne Eppard
Lexi DeJong
Ke'Chelle Ferrell
Jason Swartz
Kevin Herrera
Victoria Kim
Kaitlyn Harrington
Riley Newcomer
Jenna Chadwick
Alexis Dubiel
Zane Forrester
Aspen B.*
Evangelina Kisa
Nathanial N.*



The following students were awarded cash prizes and ribbons for being the “best of the best” in the judges viewpoint:

Nathanial N.*-1st place, **Best of Show**
Evangelina Kisa-2nd place
Ke'Chelle Ferrell-3rd place
Alexa Dejong-2nd place

There were 10 middle school awards given; Skyview received 5 of those awards; the most of any of the schools entered. Thank you to all of you for your dedication, talent and hard work. You put Skyview on the map!!!

(* - Last name withheld for publication purposes)

NJHS NEWS

It may be the end of the school year,
but there's still time to volunteer!

NJHS members will be busy this month...

...baking their final batch of cookies
for the Ronald McDonald House
(until next school year, that is!)



...counting up and turning in the proceeds
from Pennies for Patients (and declaring a
winning grade for most money donated)

...and finding people to sponsor them
as they walk to support efforts
to find a cure for Cystic Fibrosis.



They will wrap things up with a fun pot-luck,
and wish outgoing members lots of good luck!

