



# The Wildcat

October 22, 2021

Deadline for the October 29, 2021 Wildcat will be  
Wednesday, October 27, at 8:30 A.M.

Please call the Attendance Line  
982-3950 - Option #1  
if your child will be absent or tardy from school.  
Office #982-3975  
Jeffco Web Page:  
<http://westridge.jeffcopublicschools.org/>

## **Monday, October 25th:**

WEAR GREEN DAY for DWARFISM AWARENESS DAY

2:00 - 5:00 Big Kahuna Product Pick Up in Gym  
3:00 - 4:00 Imagine Arts Academy in Room C7  
3:05 - 4:05 Strategic Chess in Library

## **Tuesday, October 26th**

3:00 - 3:50 Taekwondo in the Gym

## **Wednesday, October 27th**

## **Thursday, October 28th**

3:00 - 4:30 Kid Stage in Music Room

## **Friday, October 29th**

8:45 - 9:00 Halloween Parade  
9:05 - 9:50 Halloween Parties  
9:50 Students change into school day clothing to resume learning for the day

Welcome Westridge Families,

It is hard to believe that we are inching towards the end of October! Our staff is grateful for your support during this challenging year. A friend sent this graphic to me, and it illustrates the way in which the pandemic has affected kids, families, and schooling. Having not had a routine school year in two years, we continue to find innovative ways to connect and grow students. As a community, Westridge is successful when we remain grounded to our hopes and realities.



**100 Mile Club:** Please be sure to register and pay for your child to attend 100 Mile Club. Registration is essential in order to provide the prizes earned by students at milestone levels. The registration form can be found in this newsletter or paper forms are available in the school office. We hope to keep our participants going as the weather permits.

**Blue Flag Days:** When weather conditions are too cold and wet, we will cancel 100 Mile Club. This would typically be if temperatures are in the 20's and/or it is sloppy and wet. Please do not drop your child off for 100 Mile Club when weather conditions are questionable or if you see the Blue Flag flying.

**Family Engagement Resources:**

[☰ RP at Home \(English\) - MASTER](#)

[Building Resilience in Troubled Times](#)

**OCTOBER IS DWARFISM AWARENESS MONTH**

October is Dwarfism Awareness Month, and Monday, October 25th is specifically Dwarfism Awareness Day. We would like to acknowledge this day by asking students to wear green in support of dwarfism awareness and to celebrate our differences.

A wonderful quote from the book "Greenlights" by Matthew McConaughey,

"We are not here to tolerate our differences, we are here to accept them.

We are not here to celebrate our sameness, we are here to salute our distinctions.

We are not born into equal circumstances, or with equal abilities, but we should have equal opportunity.

As individuals, we unite in our values.

Celebrate that".



### **Creating an Inclusive Halloween:**

Halloween Parties will take place the morning of Friday, October 29th. Students are asked to come to school dressed in their costumes. In keeping with our Westridge Behavioral Expectations emphasizing safety, respect, and responsibility, Halloween costumes must be safe, respectful of oneself and of others, culturally sensitive, and non-violent. Students should be able to see clearly and be able to walk without being encumbered (e.g., no high heeled shoes that don't fit, skirts or pants so long the student or other students can trip on them, and no roller blades, skateboards, or scooters.) There should be no weapons, (e.g., guns, knives, swords) or costumes or makeup that suggest violence (blood, open wounds). Scary costumes, masks, and make-up frighten many of our young students. Costumes should be in good taste for an elementary setting (e.g., no revealing costumes) and consistent with the expectations for appropriate school attire described in our school dress code. If you or your child has a question about the appropriateness of a costume, please call your child's teacher or the school office at 303-982-3975.

- Our school Halloween Parade will begin at 8:45 A.M., outdoors as weather permits.
- Classroom parties will run from 9:05 - 9:50 A.M., outdoors as weather permits, followed by clean up.
- If the classroom parties need to be held inside, only two designated room parents per class will be allowed due to Covid-19.
- Only individually wrapped, pre-packaged treats can be shared with students.
- Students will then be asked to change into regular school clothes, and we will continue with a regular school day.
- [Healthy Schools Guide](#)
- [Inclusive Halloween](#)



***OCTOBER 25th***  
**FALL FUNDRAISER**  
**DELIVERY!!!**

***Mark your calendars and please make arrangements to pick up your student's order! ALL orders MUST be picked up Monday, October 25th between 2:00 and 5:00 p.m. We have no storage space at the school.***

**Thanks for your support!!**



For product pick-up, please arrive at the pink double-doors of the gym between 2:00 and 5:00 P.M. on Monday, October 25th.

Our raffle drawing for Grand Prizes will be announced on Monday, October 25th, and be distributed along with student prizes earned on that day.



## 2021-2022 Registration Form

We are excited to be bringing 100 Mile Club back for another year at Westridge! 100 Mile Club began on Monday, September 13th.

For those that do not know what 100 Mile Club is, here are some quick facts:

- 100 Mile Club meets every morning from 8:00-8:15 AM on the basketball courts behind the school (*note that 100 Mile Club will not be held on Blue Flag Days!*).
- 100 Mile Club is open to ALL students.
- Students can run, skip, walk, hop, and dance their way to the goal of 100 miles throughout the school year.
- For just \$10, students will receive a 100 Mile Club t-shirt when they reach 25 miles and additional incentives along their journey to 100 Miles!

**If your student(s) is interested in participating, please fill out the bottom portion of this form and return to the office.**

**We need parent volunteers to help this program continue throughout the school year. If you can give 20 minutes any morning, we would love to see you. Please contact the school office if interested.**

Student(s) Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Program T-Shirt Size(s) (mark one):

<b>Child size</b>	Small	Medium	Large
<b>Adult size</b>	Small	Medium	Large
	XL	2XL	3XL

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ (Student(s) **MUST** have parent's signature)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$10.00 is enclosed

\_\_\_\_\_ I am interested in sponsoring \_\_\_ member(s) for an additional \$10 each

\_\_\_\_\_ Total amount enclosed    Cash    Check    # \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please make checks payable to Westridge Elementary)*



## COLORADO SKI COUNTRY 4TH, 5TH, AND 6TH GRADE SKI PASSPORT PROGRAM

Colorado Ski Country USA believes that every student should have the opportunity to experience Colorado's signature winter sports, skiing and, snowboarding. That is why for over 20 years the CSCUSA Ski Passport Program has helped thousands of students hit the slopes every year. Make sure your student does not miss out on the fun and sign up today! The quickest and easiest way to learn about the program and sign up for the Passport Program in online at:

[coloradoski.com/passport](http://coloradoski.com/passport)

[English Brochure](#)



## Westridge PTA Happenings

October 22nd, 2021

[www.facebook.com/groups/257696868179603](https://www.facebook.com/groups/257696868179603)

[www.WestridgePTA.com](http://www.WestridgePTA.com)



PTA's mission is to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.

### 2021-2022 Westridge PTA Meeting Schedule

**PTA Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM. In person meetings are held in the library.**

- November 9, 2021
- January 11, 2022
- February 8, 2022
- March 8, 2022
- April 12, 2022
- May 10, 2022

### PTA Dates to Know!

Friday, November 5th: Westridge

**SPIRIT DAY!!!**

Tuesday, November 9th: PTA Meeting

Please Join Us for the  
*November*  
PTA Meeting!

YOUR VOICE IS IMPORTANT.

The next PTA meeting is, **Tuesday November 9th** in the Westridge library, we would love to have you!

### SPIRIT DAY Coming UP Soon!

Let's show our Westridge school spirit on **Friday, November 5th!** Wear your school colors and show the LOVE!



### Milk Caps for Moola

Continue to send in Longmont Dairy milk caps! See below for more information!



### Westridge PTA Value Statement

The mission of Westridge PTA is to connect and appreciate the parents, teachers and students of Westridge by supporting their growth and potential through engaging activities, empowering them to use their passion and talent to better our school and community. We give support to engaging activities, which build positive relationships, ignite innovation, and support all types of learning.



### What's the Program?

- Kids collect Longmont Dairy bottle caps, bring them to their classroom, and the school receives 5 cents per cap.
- There is no limit to the number of caps that can be collected.

### Can My School Participate?

- Milk Caps for Moooola is open to schools that fall within the Longmont Dairy delivery area. If your school is in one of the following cities, please email or call to inquire if you are within the delivery area: Arvada, Aurora, Boulder, Brighton, Broomfield, Centennial, Commerce City, Denver, Erie, Firestone, Fredrick, Fort Lupton, Golden, Highlands Ranch, Lafayette, Lakewood, Littleton, Longmont, Louisville, Northglenn, Parker, Thornton, Westminster, and Wheat Ridge.
- Please contact Longmont Dairy to determine eligibility at 303-776-8466.

### What steps do we need to take to get started?

- After we have confirmed your eligibility, we will provide you with the necessary information. You will need to complete an application and obtain your Principal's approval and signature.

### Who do I contact if I have any questions?

- Contact Gary Schlager, our Community Service Director at 303-776-8466, or email him at garys@longmontdairy.com.
- Gary will help with the registration process, distribute collection boxes, coordinate cap collection and answer any other questions you may have.

### How often can my school submit milk caps to receive Moooola?

- Please collect at least 1,000 caps before contacting Gary for a pick up.
- After your school's caps are verified, and within two weeks, we will send a check made out to the school. The Principal of your school will determine how to disperse the funds for the benefit of your school's students.

### How do we count the caps and get them to Longmont Dairy?

- We ask that you assign a person at your school who will be responsible for packing all of the caps in the bags and/or boxes provided.

- The school is responsible for verifying that the caps are from Longmont Dairy bottles, counting the caps, putting the school information on the form provided by Longmont Dairy and attaching it to the bag.

- More redemption forms are available at our website: [www.LongmontDairy.com](http://www.LongmontDairy.com).

- Once at least 1,000 caps are ready, please contact Gary to coordinate a pick up: 303-776-8466.

### Which Longmont Dairy caps are eligible?

- Only caps that come from Longmont Dairy glass bottles are eligible: Milk, Chocolate Milk, Strawberry Milk, Half & Half, Whipping Cream, Orange Juice, Lemonade, Raspberry Lemonade, Classic Eggnog and Cinnamon Eggnog.
- Caps from Talbott's Apple Juice products are not eligible.

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<https://longmontdairy.com/milk-caps-for-moooola/>