

The Wildcat

April 1, 2022

Deadline for the April 8, 2022 Wildcat will be Wednesday, April 6, at 8:30 A.M.

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

Monday, April 4th

3:00 - 4:00Imagine Arts Academy3:05 - 4:05Strategic Chess

Tuesday, April 5th

 3:00 - 3:50
 Taekwondo in Gym

 3:00 - 4:00
 No Science Matters

Wednesday, April 6th

8:45 - 10:15	CMAS Grade 5 ELA#1
9:30 - 11:00	CMAS Grade 3 ELA #1
10:30 - 12:00	CMAS Grade 4 ELA #1
3:05 - 4:05	Strategic Lego in Art Room

Thursday, April 7th

8:45 - 10:15	CMAS Grade 5 ELA#2
9:30 - 11:00	CMAS Grade 3 ELA #2
10:30 - 12:00	CMAS Grade 4 ELA #2
11:30 - 8:00	Restaurant Night @ Carlos Miguel's
3:00 - 4:30	KidStage in Music Room
3:00 - 4:30	Bike Rodeo on back blacktop

Friday, April 8th

	Yearbook Orders Due	
	Science Fair Projects Due by Midnight	
8:45 - 10:15	CMAS Grade 5 ELA#3	
9:30 - 11:00	CMAS Grade 3 ELA #3	
10:30 - 12:00	CMAS Grade 4 ELA #3	

Hello Everyone,

We are into April! I hope that everyone had a nice Spring Break. State assessments and end of year assessments begin next week. As a staff, we are dedicated to meeting all students where they are academically, socially, and emotionally.

The month of April also brings back events such as our Bike Rodeo, Earth Day, and Jog-a-Thon. We also will honor a Day Without Hate as a Week of Peace and Kindness to end the month of April. We have so much to look forward to including setting strong goals to do great things on assessments and, as always, being kind to others and ourselves.

CMAS TESTING:

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We are nearing that time of the year when all 3rd through 5th graders will be taking the Colorado Measures of Academic Success in the content areas of English Language Arts and Math. Additionally, 5th graders will be assessed in the content area of Science.

Please help our CMAS testing process by not making appointments or pulling your student from school during testing times, April 6 – April 14. Helping us in this way also reduces the amount of class and instruction time missed to make up the assessment. Please also be sure to charge Chromebooks each night so that they are ready for testing and learning times.

Should you have any questions, concerns, or wonders about your child taking this assessment, please contact Mr. Stein directly for a conversation.

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CMAS ELA/Math & CMAS Science Schedule 2021-2022

CLASSROOM PLACEMENT FOR STUDENTS WITH SPECIFIC NEEDS:

We are often asked about Westridge's policy on parents' input into selection of a classroom teacher for the following year. These decisions are made very carefully by considering the best learning situation for all of our children. All of our teachers are caring, skilled professionals and are excited & highly qualified to teach at all grade levels; therefore, we discourage parent selection of teachers. When requests come to the office, parents often ask for a teacher who is structured, warm, flexible, and challenges kids. We believe all our teachers fit this description.

However, if you choose to fill out a Classroom Placement Form for Students with Specific Needs for the 2022-2023 school year, please note the following:

- Forms are available in the school office
- Forms are due to Dawn in the school office by Thursday, April 21, 2022
- Any form requesting a specific teacher by name will be returned to you
- No late forms will be accepted
- The final decision of classroom placement will be made by the Principal.

We appreciate your thoughtful consideration of this process.

<u>Jeffco Summer of Early Learning (JSEL)</u> is a free, 6-week, intensive summer school program that focuses on increasing K-5 students' literacy skills. The 2022 program will offer in-person and remote options. Students will work with licensed teachers in small group settings (no more than 15 students in each class) and participate in both independent and guided reading activities.





I want to thank our amazing Westridge Community for helping our spring book fair be such a success! Your purchases helped raise money for our school library to buy new books. We also raised over \$150 with our sucker pull and were able to buy several books to give to kids at Westridge.

I would also like to give a special thank you to the parent and staff volunteers that helped at the fair. I could not have done it without them! Thank you to: Jennifer and Jane Rockwell, Jennifer Leverson, Matt Raia, Heather Hall, Lindsey Gillham, Suzanna Price, Katy Baer, Alyssa Urquhart, Amanda Krische, Jenn Schell, Michelle Hamiliton, Jodi Stevenson, Heather Alt, Avery Meersman, Jenny Park and Jess Pultorak.

WESTRIDGE PTA PLAYGROUND CLEANUP:

Come join us in cleaning up the Westridge playground and school grounds! We love our school's outdoor spaces! What better way to show it love than by taking care of it? You and your child will meet the group after school by the basketball hoops at 3:15 P.M. on Wednesday, April 6th. Westridge PTA will be providing everything you need and we will take care of the trash bags too! We can't wait to see you there!

Please visit this Sign Up Genius to volunteer. Please include your child's name in the comments.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0F49ACAD2DA5F58-westridge

Thank you!

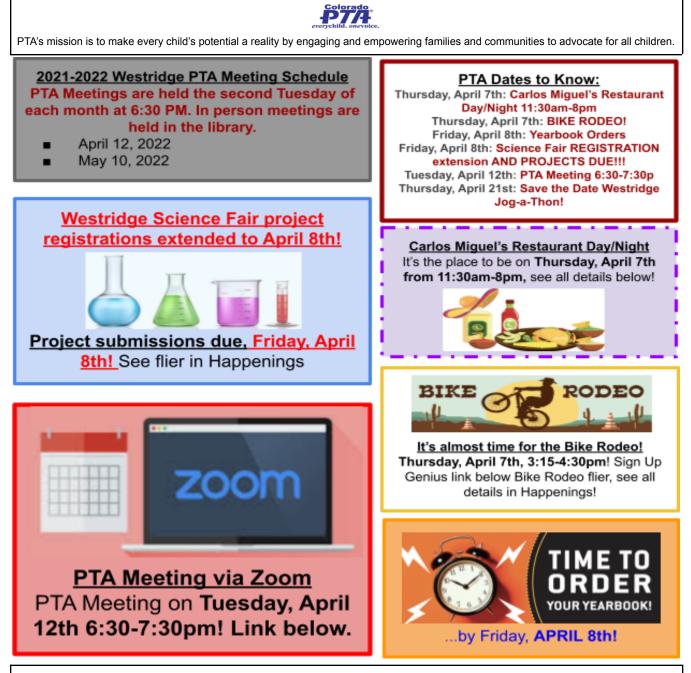


Westridge PTA Happenings

April 1st, 2022

www.facebook.com/groups/257696868179603

www.WestridgePTA.com



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.

GRAB YOUR BIKE...







GET READY FOR THE

WESTRIDGE WILDCATS BIKE RODEO!!!

Sponsored by Westridge Elementary PTA

SAVE the DATE!

Thursday, April 7, 3-4:30pm at the basketball courts

All grades (K-5), riding abilities and SMILES welcome!

<u>Print and fill out Parent Permission slip</u> on the next page and turn into your child's teacher or front office in order to participate.

What is a Bike Rodeo?

- Bike Maintenance
- Bike and helmet fit
- Bike Safety
- Bike skills
- Races
- And MORE!



Please consider signing up to help at a Bike Rodeo station: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080C49AEA622A0FF2-bike THANK YOU!!!

Westridge Elementary Bike Rodeo Permission Slip

On **THURSDAY APRIL 7th**, the Westridge Elementary PTA will be holding a **BIKE RODEO** after school on the basketball courts, from **3:15 to 4:30pm**. The BIKE RODEO will focus on ensuring our kids are safe riders, proper bike maintenance, bike and helmet fit, and bike skills to overcome planned or unexpected obstacles.

For your child to participate in the BIKE RODEO they will need to have:

- BIKE and HELMET

- Permission must be granted by the parent/guardian for the child to participate.

At 3:15pm, on **April 7th**, students will need to check-in at the "registration tent" to ensure that a parent's permission to participate has been received.

Parents: please make sure the bike your child brings to school is safe to ride (tires inflated, bolts tightened and not too tall), and helmet fits properly!

Please complete the lower section of this form and turn it in to your child's teacher by MONDAY, APRIL 4th.

Permission forms will be accepted the day of the RODEO, but PTA volunteers would appreciate that they be turned in earlier in order to estimate the number of students who will be participating in this AWESOME event!

We encourage parents/guardians to consider attending the rodeo with your child. The skills and bike safety your kids will be learning can also be exercised when biking to/from school and traveling SAFELY around your neighborhoods!

My child, ______ has my permission to attend the BIKE RODEO on Thursday, April

7th from 3:15 to 4:30pm.

(Parent/Guardian Signature)

Parent Volunteers are needed to make this a successful event! Please provide your information below if willing

to help.

I am interested in volunteering for the BIKE RODEO. Name: ______

Phone: ______ Email: _____

Email Aubrey with any questions: aubreyredman20@gmail.com

Westridge Restaurant Day/Night

DATE: Thursday, April 7th, 2022 TIME: 11:30am - 8pm WHERE: Carlos Miguel's Mexican Bar & Grill 8154 S Kipling Pkwy Littleton, CO 80127 303.973.3007



Dine in or carry out! Mention WESTRIDGE and we receive a % of the sales!!

Welcome to the 2022 Westridge Virtual Science and Innovation Fair!



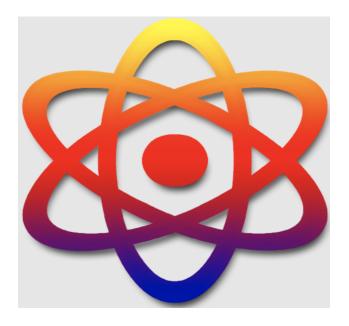
Important Dates and Times:

Friday, April 8, 2022 - Science Project REGISTRATION EXTENDED! AND Project Submission Deadline!

Students must have projects registered AND have all projects submitted by midnight Friday, April 8, 2022

Monday, April 11, 2022 - Virtual Tours

Projects will be available for virtual Science and Innovation Fair tours!



What Kind of Project Can I Do?

The goal of the Science and Innovation Fair is to get all kids excited about science and innovation. With this goal in mind, students may bring anything that sparks their interest or any project they already completed that they are proud of.

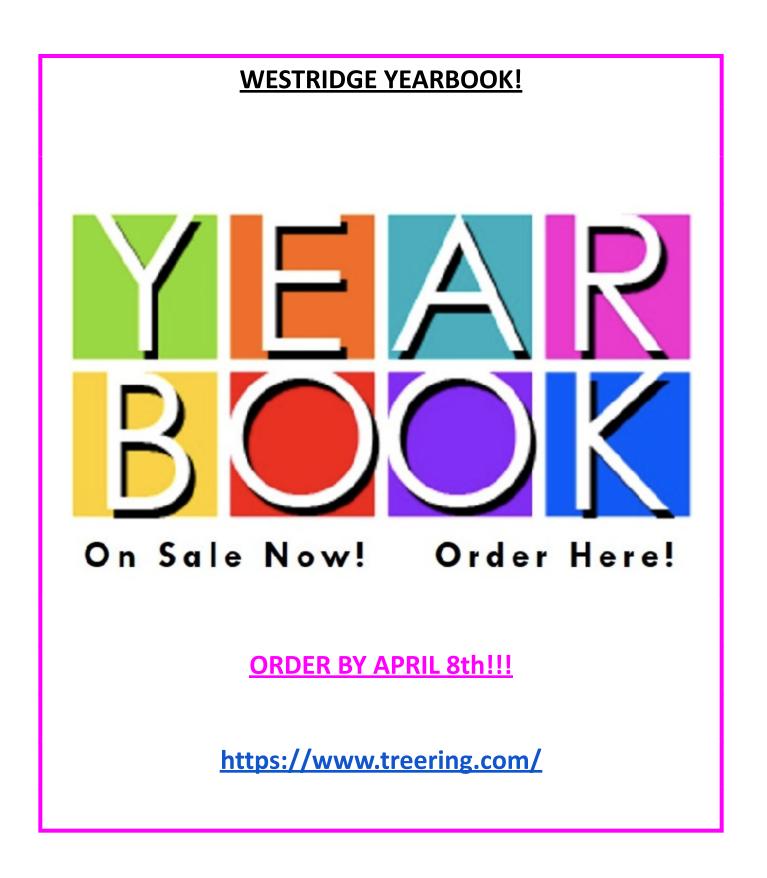
Entries can include (but are not limited to):

- <u>Traditional science fair projects, with or without trifold display,</u>
- Projects the students completed for school, this year or any year,
- Innovative toys your kids love and want to know more about in order to explain how it works to the rest of us,
- Amazing crafts your child has done that they want to share with their peers,
- <u>Anything your student is excited to share!</u>

The sky's the limit. We want students to have fun, share their interests, and feel proud of their work!

For any questions, email Jadie:

westridgepta.sciencefair@gmail.com



Join the next PTA meeting on Tuesday, April 12th 6:30-7:30pm!

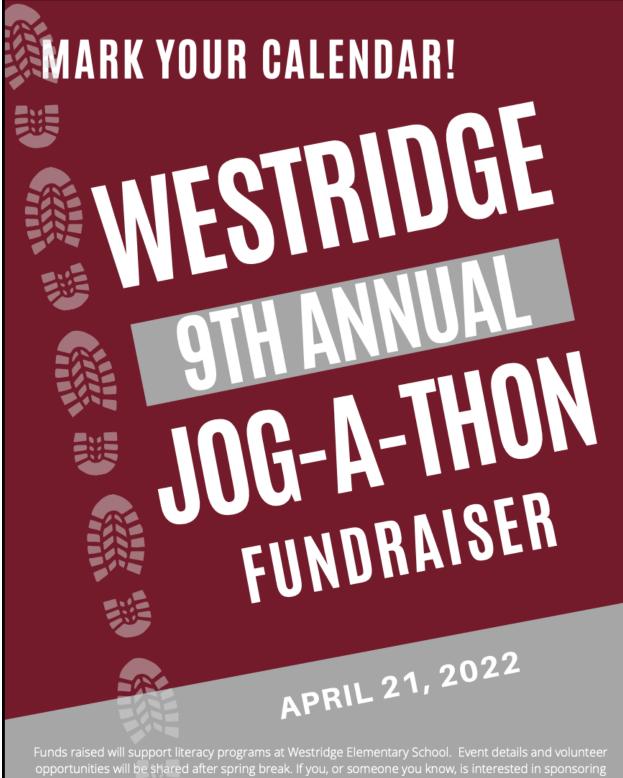


Join Zoom Meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86069260785?pwd=V1Y4R0dqdHBzaVJBaHJRYkFlMitpZz09

Meeting ID: 860 6926 0785

Passcode: 149612



this event, please share our donation letter or contact Ruth Brown at ruth@12happyhabits.com



WESTRIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTA 10785 W. Alamo Place Littleton, CO 80127

Dear Community Member,

On April 21, 2022, Westridge Elementary's 440 students will participate in our 9th annual Jog-a-Thon fundraiser. The purpose of this event is twofold. The students are reminded of the fun and importance of living a healthy, active lifestyle while raising funds for the benefit of our school. Funds raised through this event will be used to enrich our students' classroom resources, after school activities, and improve our school's technology needs. Students will receive pledges to run, jog, or walk for 20-30 minutes.

In order to make this day a success, we are asking for support from our community. Students will receive prizes in exchange for the pledges they collect. Your donation will allow us to reward our students for their hard work.

Please help support this wonderful event by becoming a sponsor with a monetary tax-deductible donation to the Jog-a-Thon, coupons, vouchers, or prize items that can be used to reward students. For your generous donation, we will recognize your sponsorship in many ways.

For donations under \$150:

- Name in our school newsletter
- Name on our Jog-a-Thon website
- Name on our event banner
- Opportunity to distribute coupons or flyers

For donations over \$150:

- Name in our school newsletter
- Name on our Jog-a-Thon website
- Name on our event banner
- Opportunity to distribute coupons or flyers
- Name and logo on the back of event t-shirts

Thank you in advance for consideration of this request and support of Westridge Elementary's students and staff. Sincerely,

Ruth Brown, Westridge Elementary PTA Jog-a-Thon Chair *Please note: In order to ensure donor recognition, donations must be received by March 25, 2022.					
Donation amount: \$ (For donations valued over \$150, please email Ruth Brown (<u>ruth@12</u>)					
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