



Westridge Wildcat

September 26-30

Please call the Attendance Line for Absences and Tardies
303-982-3950 Option #1

Main Office Number 303-982-3975

Visit our Website!

<http://westridge.jeffcopublicschools.org/>

[Westridge Family Calendar 2022-2023](#)

This Week's Events at a Glance

Monday, September 26, 2022	Spirit Day: Sports Wear Day
Tuesday, September 27, 2022	Spirit Day: Hat Day Taekwondo 3:00-4:00
Wednesday, September 28, 2022	Picture Day
Thursday, September 29, 2022	Spirit Day: Pajama Day KidStage 3:00-4:00
Friday, September 30, 2022	Spirit Day: Dakota Ridge or Westridge Gear Dakota Ridge Homecoming Parade (Fifth grade will attend)

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Playground in the Morning

Starting at 8:15, we have a rule that students line up outside of their classrooms. Movement is important and research shows many brain benefits to moving in the morning. We have the 100 Mile Club to get kids moving in the morning. The reasons we have this rule are to prevent injuries, reduce opportunities for conflict that is then addressed in the classroom, our teachers are preparing for the day so they don't have supervision duty on the playground, it allows for a calmer start in the classroom, and we can't have parents supervising other children in case of serious injury (this unfortunately has happened in the past). Thank you for understanding.

One School, One Book

Reading aloud at home has many benefits according to research. Read below for some stats to affirm all of the good work you are doing by reading *The Wild Robot* each night! You can read more [here](#) if you're interested.

54%

More than half of children ages 0-5 (54%) are read aloud to at home 5-7 days a week. This declines to one in three kids ages 6-8 (34%) and one in six kids ages 9-11 (17%).

83%

When it comes to being read aloud to at home, more than eight in 10 children (83%) across age groups say that they loved or liked it a lot—the main reason being it was a special time with parents.

71%

More than seven out of ten parents of children ages 6-17 (71%) rank strong reading skills as the most important skill a child should have, and more than half of kids (54%) agree.

75%

Three out of four parents (75%) wish their children would read more books for fun, and more than seven out of ten wish their children would do more things that did not involve screen time.

51%

Half of all children ages 6-17 (51%) are currently reading a book for fun, and another one in five (20%) just finished one.

65%

Nearly two out of three children (65%)—up from 2012 (60%)—agree that they will always want to read books in print even though there are ebooks available.

Lunch Carts/Lost and Found

Please take a moment to make sure your child has brought home their lunch bag. The lunch carts are getting full of left behind items. The long weekend is a perfect time to make sure all of these items make it home. Our lost and found bin is filling up quickly. Please ask your child to check the bin for any of their belongings that may have gone missing.







Clinic Needs Clothing Donations

Occasionally our students need a change of clothing throughout the day. Our clinic has a good supply of shirts, but could use girls pants in sizes 6 through 12. If you have some clean pants that are in good condition that you are willing to donate, please bring them to the Health Room.

Dakota Ridge Homecoming Week

We will be showing support of Dakota Ridge Homecoming with a Spirit Week next week. Please see the list of days below.

SPIRIT DAYS

MONDAY September 26th	TUESDAY September 27th	WEDNESDAY September 28th	THURSDAY September 29th	FRIDAY September 30th
<p><u>SPORTS WEAR DAY:</u> Wear your favorite sport team's jersey, tshirt or sweatshirt.</p> 	<p><u>HAT DAY:</u> Wear your favorite hat.</p> 	<p><u>PICTURE DAY:</u> Be picture day ready.</p> 	<p><u>PAJAMA DAY:</u> Come to school in your coziest, comfiest pajamas.</p>  <p style="text-align: center;"><small>shutterstock.com · 335310542</small></p>	<p><u>DAKOTA RIDGE or WESTRIDGE DAY:</u> Show your Dakota Ridge or Westridge spirit!</p>  

"Dudes" of Great Students Needed

Come to Our Information Night

Learn about the program at Westridge and how you can be a male role model who can positively impact a student's life and provide an extra set of eyes and ears for the school. Pizza and refreshments provided!



September 29th, 6pm



Westridge - Cafeteria
10785 W Alamo Pl



RSVP:
<https://tinyurl.com/WestridgeWatchDOGS>

Who are Watch D.O.G.S.?

WatchDOGS are fathers, grandfathers, uncles, and other father-figures who volunteer at an official WATCH D.O.G.S.® school. During the day, WatchDOGS may read and work on flash cards with students, play at recess, eat lunch with students, watch the school entrances and hallways, assist with traffic flow and any other assigned activities where they actively engage with not only their own students, but other students as well.



For more information, check out www.dadsofgreatstudents.com

Westridge PTA

[Westridge PTA Website](#)

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.



New faces, New hearts,
New minds,
New ideas! Join the
Westridge PTA today:



PTA Dates to Know:

Friday, October 7th: **SPiRiT DAY!**
Tuesday, October 11th: **PTA**
Meeting 6:30 pm

PTA Board

Please consider joining the
Westridge PTA board!
There are multiple positions
opening next year and we need
YOU to join, learn, and grow
with us! We can't wait to meet
you...



The Couches in the Staff Lounge Need Your Help

The couches in the staff lounge are in desperate need of a good cleaning and are in pretty rough shape. The PTA would like your help. If you are interested in helping out with cleaning them, please contact Aby Behner at aby.brown@gmail.com.



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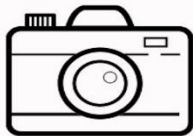
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