

## Westridge Wildcat

April 17 - April 21

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/

Monday, April 17, 2023	
Tuesday, April 18, 2023	3:00-4:00 Science Matters in – Art Room 3:00-4:00 Taekwondo – Gym 6:30-7:30 New Family Welcome Event
Wednesday, April 19, 2023	
Thursday, April 20, 2023	3:00-4:45 KidStage – Music Room
Friday, April 21, 2023	

Westridge Family Calendar 2022-2023

#### New Family Welcome Event

Do you know of a family who will be joining the Westridge Community next year? Please encourage them to attend our ice cream social on the playground on April 18 at 6:30.

#### Bike Rodeo

Air up your bike tires and get ready to ride! Please mark your calendars for Wednesday April 26<sup>th</sup> from 3:15 to 4:45 for a BIKE RODEO where you get show off your bike skills and support your fellow riders. The list of events is being created and if you have any ideas please let me know. Cheers!

Benny Siljenberg

BJsiljenberg@gmail.com

303.590.8306

Save the Date: Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023



This year's Field Day will be held on Friday, May 5th. **Kindergarten through 2nd grade** will participate from **9:00 am-11:00 am. 3rd grade through 5th grade** will participate from **12:30 pm-2:30 pm.** 

#### Playground in the Morning

With the weather warming up and the sun coming up earlier, it is tempting to want to play on the playground in the morning. I definitely understand that desire for movement and enjoying the sunshine, however, we do not have the staff available for supervision to support recess in the morning.

The playground should be cleared at 8:15 and students need to line up by their classroom.

Even if students are with parents, I ask that this expectation is followed because it is difficult for staff to know if a student has their parent watching them. In the event of a medical need (broken bones, major scrapes), a designated staff member or that child's own family member needs to be the one to administer care. That is one of the main reasons we say that the playground is not available starting at 8:15. Another reason is around that time is when a lot of kids start arriving. It would be too many kids on the playground playing, which increases that risk that collisions, head bumps or medical needs would pop up. Last, in a public school setting, we have a lot of humans to manage and keep safe, so some order is helpful in achieving our goal of keeping everyone safe. If you value movement in the morning, please consider joining the 100 Mile Club.

#### Finish Strong!

During this time of year, it is not unheard of for students to "forget" some expectations we have as a school. Of course, there are complex reasons for that, but I want to simplify it for today's purpose and say they "forget." Please talk to your children about finishing strong and continue to show their best self through the end of the year. Here is a matrix of the positive behaviors we would hope to see that help our students show DRIVE to help provide clarity around those expectations. Thanks for your support as families. We are truly fortunate to have a community of families who partner with us.

#### What Fun!

Our teachers have been planning fun ways to make some memories at the end of the year. Be sure to check newsletters/emails from teachers to know about the fun field trips, assemblies, performances, parties, etc. coming up for your child's class!

#### Assessment Days April 24 and April 27

Assessments at this time of year are helpful to determine how much your child has grown throughout the year. This information helps next year's teacher hit the ground running with information about proficiency levels.

Families in Kindergarten through Third Grade will sign up for an assessment time slot on either April 24 or 27th. Students in these grades will not attend school outside of the scheduled time slot. Fourth and Fifth Grade students will attend a regular school day on April 24 and families who were invited by the teacher will sign up for a time slot on April 27.

Sign Up Genius Links		
Kindergarten		
Ms. Funk	Ms. Funk's Sign Up Genius	
Ms. Levin	Ms. Levin's Sign Up Genius	
Mrs. Kucharcik	Mrs. Kucharcik's Sign Up Genius	
1st Grade		
Mrs. Fecht	Mrs. Fecht's Sign Up Genius	
Mrs. Sommers	Mrs. Sommer's Sign Up Genius	
Mrs. Thompson	Mrs. Thompson's Sign Up Genius	
Mrs. Westfall	Mrs. Westfall's Sign Up Genius	
2nd Grade		
Mrs. Aranjo	Mrs. Aranjo's Sign Up Genius	
Mrs. Ferdig	Mrs. Ferdig's Sign Up Genius	
Mrs. Lundgren	Mrs. Lundgren's Sign Up Genius	
3rd Grade		
Mrs. Lawrence	Mrs. Lawrence's Sign Up Genius	
Mrs. Stevenson	Mrs. Stevenson's Sign Up Genius	
Mrs. Wachsmuth	Mrs. Wachsmuth's Sign Up Genius	
4th Grade		
Ms. Huffman	Ms. Huffman's Sign Up Genius	
Ms. Ortiz	Ms. Ortiz's Sign Up Genius	
Mr. Tate	Mr. Tate's Sign Up Genius	
5th Grade		
Mrs. Kissinger	Mrs. Kissinger's Sign Up Genius	
Ms. Morgenthaler	Ms. Morgenthaler's Sign Up Genius	
Mrs. Olis	Mrs. Olis's Sign Up Genius	

## Colorado Measures of Academic Success (CMAS)

Understanding State Assessments for Families



#### What is CMAS?

**April** 

Colorado Measures of Academic Success (CMAS) assessments in English language arts, math and science align with the Colorado Academic Standards and measure complex critical thinking and problem solving.

#### What is the purpose?

- Teachers, schools, and districts use the information to determine next steps in instruction and changes in programming in supporting learning.
- CMAS tests are one indicator that is be used along with report cards, classroom performance and teacher feedback to provide a complete picture of student progress
- Knowing if students are meeting Colorado grade-level expectations gives parents and teachers time to better prepare students for college and jobs after high school.
- Growth from CMAS results provides another dimension of performance beyond just achievement. Growth data helps identify areas of strength and areas that may need more attention and support.



#### Who takes it?

All 3rd-8th grade students for English/Language Arts and

All 5th, 8th and 11th grade

#### When is it?

March-April

\*(Individual schools communicate

#### When & how will I get

Results are released in August by the state. Families can also view results in Student Insights in August.

Instructional Assessment 303-982-6565

#### **CMAS**

Our 3-5th graders will take CMAS in the coming weeks. See below for our school's schedule.

#### Monday Tuesday Wednesday **Thursday** Friday 3 4 5 6 7 3<sup>rd</sup> ELA-1 (90) - 9:00-10:30 3<sup>rd</sup> ELA-3 (90) - 9:00-10:30 3<sup>rd</sup> ELA-2 (90) - 9:00-10:30 Jog-a-thon 4th ELA-3 (90)- 9:45-11:15 4th ELA-1 (90)- 9:45-11:15 4th ELA-2 (90)- 9:45-11:15 5th ELA-1 8:50-10:20 5th ELA-3 8:50-10:20 5th ELA-2 8:50-10:20 10 11 12 13 14 Make-up Make-up 3<sup>rd</sup> Math-1 (65) - 10:00-11:05 3<sup>rd</sup> Math-2 (65) - 10:00-11:05 3<sup>rd</sup> Math-3 (65) - 10:00-11:05 4<sup>th</sup> Math-1(65)-9:45-11:15 4<sup>th</sup> Math-2 (65)-9:45-11:15 4<sup>th</sup> Math-3(65)-9:45-11:15 5<sup>th</sup> Math-1 (65)- 9:00-10:05 5<sup>th</sup> Math-2 (65)- 9:00-10:05 5<sup>th</sup> Math-3 (65)- 9:00-10:05 17 21 18 19 20 5<sup>th</sup> Science-1 (80)-9:00-10:20 5<sup>th</sup> Science-2 (80)- 9:00-10:20 5<sup>th</sup> Science 3 (80)- 9:00-10:20 Make-up Make-up

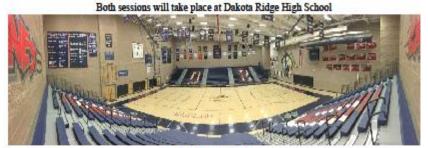


#### **Youth Camp 2023**

Dates and Times

June 5 (Monday) - June 8 (Thursday)

Incoming 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Graders: 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Incoming 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Graders: 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.



#### **Camp Directors**

Coach Sean Kovar (22-23 JEFFCO Coach of the Year) just finished his tenth season coaching at Dakota Ridge High School. He will serve as the camp director and will be assisted by other members of the Dakota Ridge boys basketball staff and current players from the varsity team. This camp will emphasize the fundamentals of basketball such as ball handling, passing, shooting, rebounding, and defense. Each athlete will compete in individual competitions and team competitions throughout the camp and learn about what it means to be a Dakota Ridge basketball player. The entire camp staff will be actively engaged, each player will receive individual instruction, and everyone will have a great experience!

#### Typical Day

8:00 a.m. Warm-up, Trivia 8:15 a.m. Footwork 8:30 a.m. Offensive/Defensive Session

9:30 a.m. Stations 10:00 a.m. Games 10:45 a.m. Daily Contest 11:00 a.m. Release

#### Cost

\$160 per player (Walk up registrations will be accepted but the cost will be \$180)

(Includes 4 days of camp, t-shirt, prizes)

Family Discount: \$130 per Player if 2 or more applications

come from the same home.

#### Contact

Sean Kovar (720) 323-2379 Sean Kovar@jeffco.k12.co.us

#### Registration

Please go to https://forms.gle/zgSQ6z8ffo6D9dSb8 to register your son for camp.

All registrations need to be completed online this year Please be prepared to fill out information on:

Player's Name, Grade Entering Fall 2020, Mailing Address, Phone Numbers, Email Address, Emergency Contact Information, Insurance Info with Policy Number, and T-Shirt Size.

\*Please register online by May 19th in order to secure your t-shirt size.

2022-2023 Varsity Team: 10-0 League Champions. Elite 8 State Tournament. Three 1st Team All-League Players.

## ARE YOU READY???



### SOUTH JEFFCO FOOTBALL REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR 1ST - 8TH GRADERS



Evaluations for future (22/23 schoolyear) 3rd, 4th & 5th graders are Saturday on April 22nd.

**SOUTHJEFFFOOTBALL.ORG** 



# OUTLAWS CHEER REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

WWW.SOUTHJEFFCHEER.ORG

## CHEER! DANCE! STUNT!

\*PERFORM AT OUTLAWS FOOTBALL GAMES!

\* PREPARE FOR HIGH SCHOOL CHEER!

\*MAKE FRIENDS AND HAVE FUN!

2nd grade-8th grade • Limited openings • Scholarships and payment plans available • No experience necessary, but a commitment is required

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## GOOD FOOD FOR A GREAT CAUSE

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Jeffco Area Band & Orchestra

WHEN YOU PRESENT OR MENTION THIS FLYER WHILE ORDERING.

#### Band/Orchestra

Apr 26, 2023 From 11 am to 10 pm

Southwest Plaza Chili's 8450 W. Cross Dr. 303-973-5863

#### Tay ID#

MENTION OR SHOW THE GIVE BACK FLYER WITH EACH CHECK TO RECEIVE CREDIT FOR THE SALE, SALE CANNOT BE INCLUDED IN DONATION AMOUNT WITH FLYER, OFFER ONLY VALID ON THE DATE AND LOCATION STATED ABOVE, DONATIONS WILL NOT BE GIVEN ON SALES MADE PRIOR TO OR PAST THIS DATE.



### STRONG SWIMMERS ARE DEVELOPED YEAR-ROUND!

### Swimming is not only a fun activity, it offers a variety of benefits.

- Swimming teaches and instills a life-saving skill and respect for water.
- Swimming provides a full body exercise that is accessible for all ages and abilities.
- Swimming improves sleep patterns and strengthens lung capacity.
- Swimming reduces stress and anxiety while improving cognitive function.
- Group swim lessons help with socialization, kids learn to interact with peers while having a lot of fun in the process.



\*For new customers only.

Cannot combine with other afters.



SafeSplash Swim School - Aurora (Southlands Mall)
 Aurora Parker & Arapahoe | Parker Lone Tree | Denver Park Hill | Littleton
 Scan QR Code to find a location nearest you!

### Westridge PTA Happenings April 12, 2023

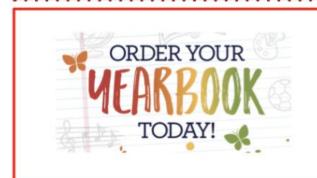
#### Westridge PTA Value Statement

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.

### PTA Meeting Schedule

**Tuesday, May 19, 2023** 

All PTA meetings are held in the Westridge library at 6:30pm.



#### Special Grandpeople Breakfast

On Friday May 12th, Westridge will host our last morning breakfast with special Grandpeople! Look for the details and sign ups to come...



#### Dates to know:

Thursday, April 13th:

PTA Restaurant FUNdraiser@

Saucy's Pizza 5-9pm

Friday, April 14th:

Last Day to turn in Jog-A-Thon donations

Wednesday, April 26th:

Bike Rodeo

Thursday, April 27th:

PTA FUNdraiser@Yogurtland 12-8pm



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You can still donate to the Westridge Jog-A-Thon!

Donations are due on Friday, April 14 at 3pm (online and in person).

To date, MemberHub is calculating our online fundraising total to be \$10,130, let's keep going Wildcats!



As always, thank you for all of your support and LOVE Westridge!

**Link Below:** 

https://app.memberhub.gives/2023-westridgejat10